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Britain's Final Proposals To Russia

Draft Agreement Sent To Moscow

SIMON DEFENDS GOVT.'S FOREIGN POLICY

Lloyd George Challenges Reichsbank's Right To Czech Gold

LONDON, May 26.

British proposals for Anglo-Franco-Soviet Agreement which have been drafted with the full knowledge of the French view and already received French assent have been sent to the British Ambassador in Moscow this morning for communication to the Soviet Government at the earliest moment.—Reuter.

ADJOURNMENT DEBATE

LONDON, May 26.

In the House of Commons the Government came under heavy fire from Labour, Liberal and Conservative speakers in the debate on adjournment before Whitsuntide recess.

ANNEXATION OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Mr. Alexander (Labourite) criticised Mr. Chamberlain's refusal on March 24 to give an assurance that Germany's annexation of Czechoslovakia would not be recognised without first consulting the House of Commons. Mr. Alexander declared that the Government ought not even consider the question of recognising the annexation.

Sir Archibald Sinclair (Liberal) asserted that the application by the Consul in Prague for 'exequatur' from the Reich would be absolutely inconsistent with the main principle of Government's foreign policy, namely, collective resistance against aggression.

Mr. Pethick-Lawrence criticised the Government's attitude towards the six millions sterling gold belonging to the Czech National Bank deposited in the Bank of England which the Bank for International Settlements had instructed should be surrendered to the Reichsbank.

In a vehement speech Mr. Lloyd George declared that the Reichsbank had no more right to the Czech gold than a burglar who takes stolen bearer bonds to the Bank and demands cash.

Concluding he said: "I am more hopeful that war will be avoided since the Government have decided to bring Russia in. I cannot conceive men of the extraordinary shrewdness and personal capacity of Herr Hitler and Signor Mussolini engaging in a war, where their chances have been so conspicuously diminished by introduction of the greatest military power in the world.

Referring to Czech gold Sir John Simon maintained that the Bank for International Settlements had exceptional immunities. He mentioned that the disputes about the interpretation of the Bank's statutes had to be referred to International Court at the Hague the British directors on the Bank for International Settlement were not answerable to the Government in any sense. He had no information whether the gold was still in London, but he promised to have the matter considered immediately with the best advice procurable.

He foreshadowed, it would be difficult to place an embargo on the transfer of Czech gold owing to the B.I.S. protocols.-

Sir John Simon replying stated that as regards Consular representation in Prague he said the British Legation had been closed and British interests were in charge of the Vice-Consul. The German Government had stated that Consular representatives would not be recognised after June 20 unless Exequatur was obtained from the German authorities.

'DE FACTO' RECOGNITION.

Sir John Simon asserted that recognition of annexation of Czecholovakia was not contemplated, but he said there was no doubt that if the Consul got an Exequatur that would be 'de facto' recognition of German authority.

Sir John Simon finally assured the House that no irrevocable decision would be taken by the Government until the Commons reassembled.

The debate concluded and the House adjourned until June 5.—Reuter.

EUROPE'S MAN OF PEACE!

Chamberlain's Call To Churches For Prayer

LONDON, May 26.

"We recognise that the troubles to-day cannot be cured by arms and armaments. We have to go further deeper and I have no doubt there will be wide response to the Churches' call for prayers, said Mr. Chamberlain addressing the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland at Edinburgh.

Describing himself as a man who was striving night and day in spite of many discouragements to keep peace in Europe, Mr. Chamberlain said he sought to do something more—remove fear of danger of war and sense of insecurity oppressing the hearts of millions.—Reuter.

FRANCE APPROVES OF BRITISH PROPOSALS

PARIS, May 26.

It is understood that Government have approved of the text of the British project for an Anglo-French-Soviet Agreement. The text will now be submitted to Moscow as Franco-British plan.—Reuter

COUNTERBLAST TO ANGLO-SOVIET PACT

BERLIN, May 26.

It is believed that the announcement of a military alliance with Japan or Spain may be the Axis Powers' reply to the Anglo-French negotiation with Russia. The tone of Japan's congratulations on the signing of the Italo-German Pact and recent Tokyo references to strengthening the anti-Comintern Pact have attracted attention here.

The Japanese Ambassador is understood to have seen Herr Von Ribbentrop a number of times recently.—**Reuter.**

ASSAM CABINET TO RESIGN?

No Definite Policy About Digboi Strike

(From Our Correspondent.)

TEZJUR, May 25.

"Yes" or "No" by the Congress High Command and the decision of the Assam Congress Working Committee on Sunday will decide the course of action for the Bardoloi Cabinet which at its last meeting, the Governor presiding, has met with failure to decide on definite steps to settle the Digboi Strike

Though the Congress circles keep mum over the situation, it is feared that one Imperial Officer has, after serious disagreement with the cabinet decided upon resignation and the Bardoloi Cabinet has made up its mind to resign.

HUGE INCREASE IN SOVIET DEFENCE BUDGET

MOSCOW: May 26.

The Defence Expenditure for 1939 amounts to 40,885 million roubles as compared with 27,000 million roubles for 1938. This was revealed when the Budget was presented to Parliament.

The expenditure totals 154,957 million roubles and the revenue 155,607 million roubles, leaving a surplus of 650 million roubles.—Reuter.

UNLAWFUL BLOCKADE BY JAPANESE

LONDON, May 26.

Questions dealing with the stopping of the 'Rampura' were addressed to the Government by Mr. Arthur Henderson, Sir Gifford Fox and Mr. De Chair.

Mr. Butler replying described the incident and referred to Admiral Nobles and Sir Robert Craigie's protests. He added that the question of taking further action to protect British shipping from such interference was under consideration.

UNLAWFUL BLOCADE

Mr. Henderson asked if the establishment of a blockade off the Chinese coast, which the Japanese had declared their intention to institute, would not be quite contrary to the rules of International Law and further that if such a blockade was established would a naval escort be provided for British ships in Chinese waters to protect them from such unlawful interference.

Mr. Butler replied that it was in view of such rumours that the question of further protecting British shipping was at present receiving urgent consideration.

Mr. Butler agreed with Mr. Henderson that such blockade will be contrary to the rules of International Law.—Reuter.

ANGLO-PORTUGUESE RELATIONS

LONDON, May 26

Asked by Mr. Arthur Henderson in the House of Commons whether in view of the recent specific reaffirmation by Dr. Salazar, the Portuguese Prime Minister, of Portuguese fidelity to their alliance, with Britain, the Government would reaffirm their intention to fulfil their obligations under this alliance. Mr. R. A. Butler replying reaffirmed the Portuguese alliance and said that certain pre-war proposals regarding Portuguese territory were dead and there was not the slightest intention of reviving them.—Reuter.

'RANPURA' FIRING ECHO IN COMMONS

LONDON, May 26

Questioned about Japanese cruisers stopping "Ranpura" off Hongkong, Mr. Butler in the House of Commons said that the question of taking further action to protect British shipping against such interference was being considered. "Government take a very serious view of the incident" he added.—**Reuter.**

Indians In S. Africa

Plea For Strong Representation To Union Govt.

SIMLA, May 26.

The Standing Emigration Committee of the Central Legislature met to-day and discussed the South African situation.

It is understood that a demand for strong measures was made from many sides during the discussion, which lasted nearly an hour and a half but it was eventually agreed that no other appropriate approach to a self-Governing Dominion was possible except the method of representation and negotiation.

The exact terms of the representation to be made in the light of the debate in the Union Parliament on the Asiatic Land and Trading Bill were also considered and it was decided to defer till to-morrow the final drafting of the representation.

When the Committee meets tomorrow, it is also expected to discuss the position of Indians in Ceylon.—A. P.

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—Sir Victor Horsley, F.R.S.

MOTHER AT AGE OF FIVE!

NEW YORK, (By Air Mail.)

The report of the birth of quite a healthy baby to a Red Indian girl, aged a few months less than five years, has been received here from Lima (Peru).

Both the child mother, Lina Medina whose birth certificate shows that she was born on September 23, 1934, and the 6 lb. baby boy are said to be in excellent health.

It is reported that 60 doctors, among them a commission which had undertaken to prepare a report on the case for international circulation, saw a Caesarian operation, on the girl performed at Lima Maternity Home. The Chief Surgeon at the Hospital stated that the condition of the child mother's teeth proved her under five years old. She is the daughter of an Indian farmer living in Lima. According to Indian superstition the family of the child mother is the youngest on world record. The normal limit is ten but the warmer the climate the lower the age.—United Press.

BRITAIN INVITES SOVIET MARSHAL

LONDON, May 26.

The British proposals for Anglo-Franco-Soviet agreement, which were drafted with the full knowledge of the French view and have already received French assent were sent to Sir William Seeds this morning for Communication to the Soviet Government at the earliest moment.

It is understood that Soviet Marshal Voroshilov has been invited to attend manoeuvres in Britain with other distinguished foreign military officers.—**Reuter.**

SITUATION AT JAMSHEDPUR

Labour Union Turns Down Terms Of Reference Of Arbitration

BOMBAY, May 26.

With regard to the report from Jamshedpur regarding Labour trouble there, enquiries in informed circles in Bombay show that arbitration by Babu Rajendra Prasad and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in connection with the Labour dispute has not materialised, as the Labour Union has not agreed to the terms of reference of the Arbitration Board.

On enquiries it is learnt that a few workers working in one of the boiler plants at Jamshedpur have been replaced but the situation is not regarded.—A.P.

KHER CONCLUDES KARNATAK TOUR

Tribute To Sacrifice In Country's Cause

BELGAUM, May 26

Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay to-day concluded his Karnatak tour and left for Bombay.

I had a most instructive and useful tour in this beautiful district, poor in wealth, but rich in beautiful scenery and devotion to the country's cause", declared Mr. Kher, in a parting message to the people of Karnatak, in which he indicated that he hoped to give same relief to the farmers.

The Premier paid a handsome tribute to the part played by Karnatak farmers, men and women, "who fearlessly participated in the struggle for freedom and cheerfully sacrificed all their worldly belongings."

He also referred to the appalling poverty prevailing in Karnatak.

The Premier visited various centres in Karnatak to-day, participated further in the celebration of the restoration of lands confiscated during the civil disobedience, was the recipient of more addresses of welcome, and addressed a number of public meetings—A. P.

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MAHATMA'S ADVICE TO RAJKOT WORKERS

RAJKOT, May 25

Mahatma Gandhi had a talk with Rajkot workers in the afternoon. It is understood that they agreed to work out the programme of work laid down by him and it is learnt that he gave an outline of work to be taken in hand hereafter.

Gandhiji understood to have stressed the strictest observance of non-violence in thought, deed and action in any activity that might be undertaken by those workers, who avowed allegiance to his creed.—A. P.

Approximation To Soviet View-Point

PARIS, May 26.

The new British proposals for an Anglo-Russian Anti-Aggression Agreement, reached Paris in the evening and are being studied by the French Government before their despatch to Moscow.

It is understood the French Government consider that the new British plan goes a considerable way towards the acceptance of Soviet view-point and it is expected it will be acceptable to Moscow. It is believed this was a subject of discussion in the evening between M. Bonnet and the Polish and Soviet Ambassadors.—Reuter.

Wilhelmina For Holland

BRUSSELS, May 26

Queen Wilhelmina left for Holland at the end of her visit to Belgium and was seen off at the station by King Leopold.—Reuter.

Powers To Hold Tripartite Conference

ISSUE OF FOOD SUPPLY AT KULANGSU

Japan Turns Down Foreign Consular Body's Request

TOKYO, May 26.

THE DISPUTE OVER KULANGSU WILL BE TAKEN UP BY DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES OF THE POWERS CONCERNED, ACCORDING TO AN AMOY DESPATCH, WHICH SAYS THAT A THIRD CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD BETWEEN BRITISH, AMERICAN AND JAPANESE NAVAL COMMANDERS AND WILL PROBABLY BE THE LAST.

Mayor's Request

MEANWHILE, THE ACTING CHAIRMAN OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF KULANGSU HAS REQUESTED THE CONSUL GENERAL UCHIDA TO RELAX THE BAN ON JUNK TRAFFIC AS THE BAN IS CAUSING SUSPENSION OF SUPPLY OF DAILY NECESSITIES

No Special Area

THE JAPANESE ARE UNDERSTOOD TO HAVE REJECTED A PROPOSAL OF FOREIGN CONSULAR BODY TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL AREA IN KULANGSU, TO WHICH FOODSTUFFS FROM THE MAINLAND COULD BE SENT.—Reuter.

JAPAN ASSERTS RIGHT TO EXAMINE FOREIGN SHIPS

"Ranpura" Incident Is No Change Of Policy

SHANGHAI, May 26.

Japan makes no distinction between passenger and cargo vessels and an order to investigate a ship's registration assumes the right to board any foreign ship in waters near the Chinese coast, according to a Japanese naval spokesman replying at a Japanese press conference to questions on the stopping of "Ranpura" and "Aramis."

The spokesman declared that this was for the purpose of verifying their status and added there had been no change in Japan's policy but the number of the ships stopped had increased lately owing to circumstances which the spokesman was unwilling to define.

He declared that the boarding was carried out in accordance with the two Japanese proclamations of August and September 1937 to which foreign powers had acquiesced.—Reuter.

HUGE INCREASE IN JAPANESE BUDGET

TOKYO, May 26.

The national expenditure for 1939-1940 is 127,219 million yens an increase of 1,786 million compared with 1938/39, and includes a 4,605 million special military budget.—Reuter.

French Asiatic Naval C.-in-C. Leaves Kulangsu

SHANGHAI, May 26.

It is reported that Vice-Admiral Decoux, Commander-in-Chief of the French Asiatic Fleet, left Kulangsu Waters yesterday aboard his flagship "Lamottepicquet." Foreign observers believe that Vice-Admiral Decoux has gone to get first hand report from the captain of the "Aramis."—Reuter.

British Authorities Deny Story

SHANGHAI, May 25.

The British Consular authorities state that there is absolutely no truth in the Tokyo report that a Japanese officer was wounded by a British bluejacket at Pootung.—Reuter.

Ruikar Arrested

Rajnandgaon Police Take Him To Unknown Destination

NAGPUR, May 26.

For defiance of the ban on their entry into the State territory Mr. R. S. Ruikar, President of the Provincial T. U. Congress, and his wife Mrs. Indirabai Ruikar were arrested this morning by the State police immediately after their arrival in Rajnandagaon Station, according to information received here. Mr. and Mrs. Ruikar were taken by car to some unknown destination in the direction of Dongargaon forest.

Mr. Ruikar proceeded to Rajnandgaon to attend a function of the Mill Mazdoor Union there today.

Mr. Mukund Lal Sircar, Vice-President of the T. U. C. who accompanied Mr. Ruikar from Nagpur to Rajnandgaon, hoisting the Labour Flag this morning, advised the people to remain peaceful and conduct their programme with the utmost patience and discipline.—A. P.

INDIANS WELCOME THEIR MAJESTIES

CALGARY, May 26.

Two thousand Indians encamped in Wigwams with Squaws, were among the most enthusiastic of two hundred thousand people welcoming their Majesties at 22.00 G.M.T. to "The Wild Woolly West."

The visit marks the end of the first long section of the Royal Trans-Canadian tour. To-morrow Their Majesties will spend the first day of complete rest at Bank National Park in Rocky Mountains.—Reuter.

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PADEREWSKI GETS HEART ATTACK

NEW YORK, May 26

M. Paderewski had a heart attack just before going on the platform to give a recital, which was to be broadcast. The concert was cancelled, the doctor on attendance said that the attack was mild and Paderewski's condition was fair. Paderewski is 78.—**Reuter.**

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By order of the Board,
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Bombay, 25th May, 1939. (263)

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J. SIMMONS,
Dy. Commissioner of Police, Port.

Head Police Office,
Bombay, 25th May, 1939. (274)

In the Matter of the INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VII of 1913.
and
In the Matter of the GOLD MOHUR PROVIDENT INSURANCE CO., LTD.

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Dated this 25th day of May, 1939.

C. J. CHOKSI,
Chairman. (276)

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Bombay 27th May, 1939. (258)

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. MANILAL KALLIANJI and others, the continuing Executors of the last Will and Testament of the late Devkaran Mulji, are prepared to receive tenders for purchase by private contract, of the immovable property known as "DEVKARAN MANSION", situate on Plots Nos. 72 to 83 of the Princess Street Estate of the Bombay Improvement Trust. The property is situate in one of the busiest localities in Bombay. The land admeasures 6538 square yards according to Cadastral Survey Sheet and 6481 square yards or thereabouts according to the Lease dated 24th March 1927 for a period of 999 years from 23rd day of January, 1907, at the rental of Rs. 4,277-1-5 per month. The property fetches a monthly rent of about Rs. 12,857 when fully occupied.

The conditions of and form of tender may be obtained, on application at the Office of Messrs. MOTICHAND and DEVIDAS. Attorneys for the said Executors at 31, Nanabhai Lane, Fort, Bombay.

The said Executors do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any tender.

Tenders must be sent in, in sealed envelopes, on or before Monday, the 5th day of June, 1939, addressed to Messrs Motichand and Devidas at their said address and endorsed "TENDER FOR PURCHASE OF DEVKARAN MANSION" together with a deposit of Rs. 10,000 which sum without interest will be returned if the tender is not accepted.

Dated this 27th day of April 1939.

MOTICHAND & DEVIDAS,
Attorneys for Mr. Manilal Kallianji and others, the continuing Executors of the last Will of the late Devkaran Mulji. (110)

Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration with the Will annexed of SHAH NATHUBHAI NAGINDAS of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, a Merchant, doing embroidery business at Bhuleshwar, outside the Fort, a widower, residing at 36, Khattar Gully, outside the Fort of Bombay and died at Surat. .. Deceased.

Bai TRIVENIBAI, widow of Shantilal Nathubhai of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, residing at 36, Khattar Gully, outside the Fort of Bombay, authorised by Judge's Order dated 25th January, 1938 to apply for Letters of Administration C.T.A. of the deceased. ..... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this 12th day of May in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and in the third year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay

(Sd.) H. A. VAKIL,
For Prothonotary & Senior Master.

(Sd.) K. K. DASTUR

The 12th day of May, 1939.
Messrs. HARIDAS & CO.,
Petitioner's Attorneys. (269)

Public Notices

THE CENTRAL PROVINCES RAILWAYS COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an AD-INTERIM DIVIDEND for the half year ended 31st March, 1939, at the rate of 3-1/2 per cent per annum, less Income Tax has been made payable at the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, Bombay, on and after the 7th June, 1939 to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on the 20th May, 1939, to whom Dividend Warrants will be posted.

Intimation of any change of address should be given to the undersigned immediately.

By Order of the Board,
KILLICK, NIXON & CO.,
Agents.

Home Street, Fort,
Bombay, 25th May 1939. (270)

NOTICE.

MUNICIPAL CORPORATION FOR THE CITY OF BOMBAY.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER.

The Municipal Corporation for the City of Bombay are prepared to consider applications for the post of Deputy Municipal Commissioner under Section 55 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, 1888.

The pay of the post is Rs. 1,200-50-1, 500 plus Rs. 160 conveyance allowance per mensem.

The applicant should be a native of the Province of Bombay or should have at the time of appointment a domicile in the Province of Bombay or in an Indian State, lying within the geographical limits of the Province of Bombay and must have at least a second class degree in Arts, Law, Science or Commerce of the Bombay University or must be the holder of an equivalent degree of a recognised University and possess administrative experience of not less than ten years.

The selected candidate will be entitled to the benefits of the Municipal Leave Regulations and the Municipal Provident Fund. He will be appointed on one year's probation in the first instance if he is not already in municipal service and will be confirmed thereafter on approved service.

Applications stating age, nationality, qualifications, previous experience &c. and accompanied by copies of testimonials and certificates of age and physical fitness should reach the undersigned on or before *the 26th June* 1939.

Persons in municipal service are eligible to apply.

Canvassing directly or indirectly will disqualify an applicant.

M. D. BHAT,
Municipal Commissioner.

Municipal Offices, Fort,
Bombay, 20th May, 1939. 239.

Auction Sales

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, SAFE, ETC.

Messrs. BENNETT & CO., will TO-DAY SATURDAY, the 27th instant at 3 p.m. (S.T.) sell by Public Auction at Mr. Albuquerque's bungalow at Chapel Road, Next to Crown Tobacco Co., Bandra.

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Under instructions from the B. B. & C. I. Railway Coy. and in accordance with the provisions of Section 56 of the Indian Railways' Act No. 9 of 1890, Messrs MENESSE & CO., will sell by public auction, at the risk of owners, on FRIDAY, the 2nd June 1939 at 2 P.M. (S.T.) at Carnac Bridge Goods Depot a quantity of unclaimed unbooked miscellaneous articles including iron and scrap iron, etc., etc.

A descriptive list of articles can be seen at the office Notice Boards at Carnac Bridge Goods Depot B.B. & C.I. Rly. Co.

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AROUND THE COURTS

Bombay, Friday.

A millworker sleeping on a cot on the road in front of his room at Roras Road was the victim of a murderous assault last night.

It is stated that Murtaza Hussein Bahaduralli was awakened by Munnekhan Nadirshah Mohamed and another unknown person both of whom started assaulting him. To save himself he jumped out of his cot and bolted. But he was, it was alleged, pursued by the two men and was stabbed with a knife and beaten with lathis. They then started running away and in doing so Munnekhan is alleged to have wantonly stabbed a hotel boy, who happened to be standing in his way. He was, however, arrested by some passers-by while his companion made good his escape.

Both the victims of the assault are lying in hospital.

Munnekhan was put up before Mr. R. Mathalone, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon, to-day and was remanded to custody till June 8.

Half a dozen cycles, alleged to have been stolen were recovered by the Byculla police when they arrested Joseph Alvares in front of a tea shop on Thursday evening.

It was stated that a bicycle left in the passage of a building in Byculla on the night of May 19 was missing. On Thursday evening the same cycle was found in front of a tea shop. He lay in wait and when the accused came out of the shop and got on to the cycle, he was arrested. Subsequently the police recovered five other cycles from the accused's place.

He was put up before Mr. R. Mathalone, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon, to-day and was remanded to custody till June 9.

Arrested on a charge of theft Jivaji Sakharam Mahasker was put up before Mr. R. Mathalone at the Mazagaon Police Court today.

The prosecution alleged that a sum of Rs. 340 was missing from a safe of the office of the Burmah Shell Co., at Wadi Bunder. The cash in the safe was checked on the evening of Saturday the 13th instant when the safe was locked up. When it was opened on Monday a bundle of 34 currency notes of Rs. 10 each was found missing.

Acting on the clue provided by finger impressions on the safe, the Dongri police arrested the accused on Thursday. He was remanded to custody till June 9.

Dattaram Gopal was arrested by the Bhoiwada police yesterday, on a charge of attempt to commit suicide by opium poisoning, as he was out of a job for the last twelve months.

He was removed to the K.E.M. Hospital The accused was ordered by the Presidency Magistrate at Dadar Police Court, to-day, to be remanded to police custody in the hospital.

Arrested on a charge of stabbing a woman, Mohammed Shatti Abdul Hassan was placed before Mr. K. C. Thakore, Presidency Magistrate, Dadar Court, to-day and was ordered to be released on bail.

It was alleged that the accused stabbed his mistress, while he was in a drunken state, with the result that the woman sustained minor injuries.

Clerk Arrested

Information has just been received to the effect that Mr. Bavany Sanker Bhat Mallapur who, it is alleged, decamped with Rs. 30,000 from Messrs Thomas Cook and Son was arrested by the Police last night in his own village, Mallapur in North Kanara.

MANAGER OF BANK 'FORGED WONDERFULLY'

Signatures forged by a bank manager were described by prosecuting counsel as "quite wonderful to a layman."

John Frederick Perry (53) was sentenced at the Old Baily to nine months' imprisonment for five cases of forgery, involving £300.

Perry was stated to have been with the Westminster bank for 35 years. The forgeries covered the period between October, 1936, when he was made manager of the Crowborough branch, to this year.

In one case, said Mr. Julian Fuller, prosecuting, Perry purported to have sent £20 to a customer's son at a public school, when in fact all the boy received was a registered envelope containing 10s. and some padding.

Perry had been honorary treasurer of the local tennis and croquet club, and one of the charges concerned its accounts.

Mr. Laurence Vine, defending, said:

"Crowborough is a very beautiful part of the Sussex border, and a number of wealthy and retired people live there.

"Perry mixed with people in a better financial position than himself and it has really led to his downfall."

Dr. N. M. Joshi Dead

The death occurred on Thursday at Mahableshwar of Dr. Narayan Martand Joshi, a popular medical practitioner of Bombay. After graduating from the Grant Medical College, Dr. Joshi first set up a practice at Girgaum and later shifted to Mandvi where he had an extensive practice. He was 56 years old.

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DISPUTE OVER ZANZIBAR PARROT

Man's Complaint Fails As His Claim To Make It Speak Not Proved

A costly Zanzibar parrot was a silent spectator when its ownership was questioned to-day in the Court of the Chief Presidency Magistrate.

Mr. Framroze K. Mody, a merchant, claimed that the parrot belonged to him and that it flew out of its cage from his residence on March 7. The bird, he said, had been with him for the last two years and it was a family pet.

He was very fond of it and had trained it to speak, and it used to hail him and his wife by their names.

Mr. Mody further stated that he searched for his lost parrot and went to the Crawford Market, when he saw it with Abdul Kadar Amooya, a dealer in birds.

He recognised it immediately from certain marks in its claws. A. K. Amooya told him that he had purchased it from Mohomed Ismail. He therefore charged them with criminal misappropriation of his parrot.

Mohomed Ismail, pleading not guilty, stated that he had purchased the parrot from a Pathan, while Amooya stated that Mohomed Ismail sold it to him.

Defence Counsel asked the complainant whether he could make the parrot speak his name.

Mr. Mody went near the parrot, but it showed no signs of recognition. His efforts to make the bird speak proved unavailing.

Even his fond caresses failed to evoke any response. He put his finger inside the cage, when the parrot approached him in a threatening manner. Defence Counsel characterised this as a hostile greeting.

The Magistrate acquitted the accused.

ALLEGED INTIMIDATION OF SINGING GIRLS

BOMBAY, Friday.

A young man was arrested by the Lamington Road police yesterday evening, on a charge of criminal house trespass and dacoity in a singing girl's house, at Vithalbhai Patel Road.

It was alleged that the accused and seven or eight others went to the girl's residence on the night of 8th May, and demanded Rs. 40. As this was refused the accused showed the girl sticks and knives and tried to assault her. The girl parted with the amount of Rs. 40 from her box, and the accused went away.

After a few days the accused again went to the place and demanded the name and address of the master, who had kept the girl but the information was refused whereupon the accused demanded Rs. 20. As she did not give him the amount, the accused persisted in his demand and threatened the girl and her sister.

The girl went to reside with her sister. The accused persisted in coming to her place even in her absence and pestering her domestic servants.

A complaint was lodged with the police, who kept a watch at the place. On the 24th inst. the accused had been to the girl's master's restaurant at Grant Rd., created a scene. He then went to Foras Road, where he was arrested in connection with another case.

Munukhan Nadirsha Khan was ordered by Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Girgaum Police Court, to be **remanded into Police custody.**

RAILWAY TIME-TABLE

G. I. P. Railway

(IN FORCE FROM APRIL 1, 1939)
Arrivals at and Departures from Victoria Terminus.

	Arr. H.M	Dep. H.M.
Madras Mail	6 00	22 10
Peshawar Lucknow (Exp.)	6 15	23 00
Calcutta Mail (Nagpur)	7 51	17 40
Calcutta Mail (Chheoki)	9 15	20 45
Madras Express	10 15	14 50
Poona Mail	10 30	17 30
Punjab Mail	11 40	18 45
Nagpur Express	14 5	21 25
Poona Fast (Pass.)	16 50	11 50
Poona Express	19 32	8 05
Allahabad Express	20 25	7 00
*Deccan Queen	10 55	17 15
	Mon.	Fri.

*Will not run until after end of April 1939, except before and after important holidays.

B. B. & C. I. Railway

Time-table in force from April 1, 1939.
Arrivals at and Departures from Bombay Central.

	Arr. H.M.	Dep. H.M.
Ahmedabad Passenger	5 35	13 50
Delhi Express	6 00	22 15
Gujarat Mail	6 45	22 00
Kathiawar Mail	7 25	21 30
Frontier Mail	8 15	21 15
	(Mon	(Sat)
*The Flying Ranee Surat	9 48	15 10
The Flying Ranee, Surat	10 58	18 05
Ahmedabad Passenger	14 15	22 30
Kathiawar Express	18 45	8 45
Baroda Passenger	20 33	9 25

*If Monday is a Bank Holiday, this train will run on Tuesday.

ARRIVALS AT BALLARD PIER

	Arr.
Frontier Mail (On Saturdays only for Homeward Passengers)	8 40

AIR SERVICES

The following air mail time table is in force in Bombay:

London—Bombay (Juhu)
Planes call at Karachi, Bhuj and Ahmedabad.
Arrivals at Juhu, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 1 p.m.
Delivery: Monday (two deliveries) 8 a.m. and 3-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 3-30 p.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—London
Planes call at Ahmedabad, Bhuj and Karachi.
Latest hours of posting at the G.P.O.:—Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 7-30 a.m. Departures from Juhu 10-15 a.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—Colombo
Planes call at Hyderabad, Madras and Trichinopoly.
Latest hours of posting at the G.P.O.:—Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 11-30 a.m.
Departure from Juhu:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 7-45 a.m.
Arrivals:—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 6-15 p.m.

Bombay—Trivandrum—Trichinopoly
Planes call at Goa, Cannanore and Trivandrum.
Departures from Juhu: Monday 8 a.m.
Arrivals at Juhu: Wesdnesday, 3-15 p.m.

Bombay—Poona—Kolhapur
Departures from Juhu: Monday, and Saturday at 7-30 a.m.
Arrivals at Juhu:—Monday and Saturday at 6 p.m.

Colombo—Bombay (Juhu)
Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday, 9-45 a.m. Delivery: Sunday 12-30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 1 p.m.

Bombay (via Calcutta)—Singapore and Australia
Latest hour of posting:—Monday, Tuesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

Australia—Bombay (via Calcutta)
Delivery: Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

Bombay (via Calcutta)—Hongkong China and Japan
Latest hour of posting: Tuesday and Saturday 6-30 p.m.

Hongkong—Bombay (via Calcutta)
Delivery: Tuesday and Saturday 1 p.m.

Bombay (Juhu)—Delhi
Planes call at Indore, Bhopal and Gwalior.
Departures from Juhu: Monday and Thursday, 6-30 a.m.
Arrivals at Juhu: Sunday and Tuesday 1-55 p.m.

Bombay—Kathiawar
Planes call at Bhavnagar, Rajkot Jamnagar and Porebunder.
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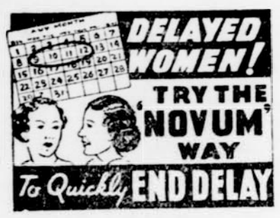

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World Of Sport: Home And Abroad

Bombay's Decadence In Cricket

(BY-LOOKER-ON)

I do not think there is any cricketer in Bombay who will deny that this City has fallen low in the cricket-ladder of India. Only a few years ago, Mr. A. A. A. Fyzee, the Honorary Secretary of the Bombay Cricket Association, proudly asserted that Bombay's position in the Cricket world of India was supreme. He had ample reason for doing so Bombay had then won the All-India Championship for the second year in succession. I had warned Mr. Fyzee at the time that he should not be too jubilant over it. Because some of the other provinces, notably Southern Punjab, Nawanagar and Central India, were coming on very nicely and they were sure to challenge Bombay's supremacy at no distant date.

BOMBAY DETHRONED

It did not take long for that prophecy to materialise. The very next year, Nawanagar wrested the Championship from the shaky hands of Bombay. It may not seem strange that Nawanagar lost the championship the very next year. But it was surprising that the Ranji Trophy instead of going to the Southern Punjab or Central India, wended its way to Hyderabad State and then to Bengal. Neither of the last-named Associations was considered strong enough to overwhelm any of its formidable rivals But team-work and team-spirit succeeded where mighty combinations of personalities failed. It was certainly a bitter pill for the stalwarts of Western and Northern India. But I do not know if they have taken the lesson to heart. The next few months will show the world how the wind of Indian Cricket is blowing.

CRAMPED CONDITIONS

Apart from the question of team-spirit which needs to be inculcated and fostered among all the players. I do not see anything being done to cultivate team-work among them. Bombay is particularly slack in this respect. The men who are at the helm of affairs in the cricket world of Bombay do not seem to realise that the old system of training is now completely out of date. When there were only a few clubs and a small number of players, it was easy to coach them properly and bring them under strict discipline. With the increase in the number of both, it has become rather difficult. Still it is not beyond the power of those who are in authority to put their house in order. Mr. A. F. S. Talyarkhan in an article in "the Evening News of India" has dwelt at length on the cramped condition of the Azad Maidan. He rightly points out the impossibility for a player, whether a batsman, fielder or bowler, to improve under such a state of affairs.

B.C.A. AT FAULT

But I am afraid the present arrangement of the plots and pitches cannot be changed without creating a big row over it. I am sure none of the clubs would agree to give up its right over it. The only way to bring them under control, to my mind, is for the Bombay Cricket Association to take up the matter in hand. They should lay down the rule that matches must be played within a certain limited area. This they could better enforce if they arrange the fixtures under the County League system of England. Years ago I had heard that most of the clubs had agreed to this proposal. But why this has not been given effect to only the B.C.A. can explain. It is generally admitted that unless and until our games and matches are placed on a scientific basis our players cannot make any appreciable headway. The chief cause of our present slump is nothing else but this.

IMMENSE POSSIBILITIES

I can make bold to declare that we have plenty of talents in this city, who if trained properly, would fight with anybody on level terms. But, unfortunately, for as these promising youngsters of the maidan do not get a fair chance to attain their full height. It is really a wonder that they come to lime-light at all. Playing and practising under such hopeless conditions not even a Bradman could cultivate and polish up his game to any extent. Only those who have passed through the maidan on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon during the cricket season, would realise the absurdity of playing matches under these conditions. The reason why the clubs and players do so is that they have no other alternative.

CONCERTED ACTION NEEDED

The number of playing grounds are so few in this city. Neither the Municipality nor the Government consider it their duty to provide a reasonable number of them. It is because of the unbounded enthusiasm and love for the game that the players indulge in it despite the severe handicaps and risks entailed. However it will not serve our purpose by only criticising those who have not done their duty. We must see to it that these defects and handicaps are removed by those who have the power to do so. It is up to the maidan clubs to join together and agitate for the remedy. The Gymkhanas must support them. Then only will it be possible to raise the standard of Bombay's cricket to the highest level—a place to which she is justly entitled by virtue of her past traditions and present stock of strength.

RODERICK OUTPOINTED

Negro Boxer Retains Welter-Weight World Title

LONDON, May 24.

In the first world welter-weight championship fight, held in Britain, Henry Armstrong, the holder, out-pointed the British champion Ernie Roderick, after fifteen rounds.

Roderick won only two or three rounds but in taking Armstrong over the fifteen rounds did what only three others have accomplished.

Armstrong weighing 9st. 9lb. was smaller and with a shorter reach overwhelmed Roderick 10st., 5 3/4lb. Bobbing, weaving and punching like a hammer, chiefly to the jaws unceasingly and untiringly, he put up the greatest display seen in England for many years.

Roderick's defence enabled him to last out. Armstrong was content to size up his opponent in the first round, but afterwards warmed up, not allowing Roderick to use his left.

Roderick opened up the fight in the fourth round, but was groggy in the fifth in which his right eye was cut. Armstrong's eye was damaged in the eighth but he continued ceaselessly boring and punching until Roderick made a gallant rally in the twelfth, which he won.

The result however was given

The attendance was only 5,000. Ringside seats cost 10 sterling.—Reuter.

HURLINGHAM POLO TEAM IN AMERICA

NEW YORK, May 35.

Providing a virtual preview of the Classic series beginning on June 4, Hurlingham, represented by Skene, Balding, Roark and Martin, will play at Meadow Brook, on Sunday against a 30-goal handicap team consisting of Gerry (No. 1) Lakin (No. 2). Inglehart (No. 3) and Raymond Guest (Back).

The British team expects real opposition, on Saturday, at Sands Point (Long Island) Phipps, Smith, Tommy Hitchcock and Winston Guest are now considered a likely team for opening the international series to meet Pete Bostwick, T. Preece, Inglehart and Raymond Guest.—Reuter.

Sports Jottings BY •• Observer

RACING

Desire and ambition even in sport grows with each success. Lord Rosebery a month ago was anxious to win the 2,000 Guineas, he did so with Blue Peter. Immediately, the convincing display of the horse raised him to be a good Derby prospect. There was no mistake in this case and Blue Peter's win in the Derby was an easy affair. Now he becomes a strong Challenger for the St. Leger to be run at Doncaster over 1 mile 6 furlongs and 132 yards on September 6. If Blue Peter satisfies his owner's wish, he brings to Lord Rosebery the triple crown, of the English turf and himself joins the ranks of the few horses that have brought off the dream of owners, trainers and jockeys.

I am glad I was able to lead the readers of the "Chronicle" correctly. My final choices were: Blue Peter, Admiral's Walk and Heliopolis. Admiral's Walk showing in the Derby must have let a large following down. He was nowhere when the real business of the race came up.

MYSORE RACES.

Indian racegoers are now looking to Mysore for sport. From reports the Mysore meeting which starts to-day is going to be a success. Burn, Rosen, Marrable, B. and H. McQuade, Faiz Mahomed, Rylands, Marrs, J. O'Neale, Evans, Brace, Jabbar, Selby Obaid, Peacock, Scarlett and Orme will provide the riding talent which is quite good.

The horses to be watched are Grecian Orb, Golden Shot, Sheriff, Artic Light Three Diamonds, Dante, Novia, Hadwan, Rope Trick, Transfer and Skylight. I expect them to do well at Mysore and should be profitable racing proposition.

CRICKET

I doubt if it is too early to write about the M. C. C. visit to this country. Though it would be premature to nominate India's team but those who will eventually be entrusted with the selection of the side must, or should be giving thought to this all-important matter.

When certain official billets are advertised a rider is added to the call for applications which runs. "Any canvassing by candidates will result in disqualification" I wish the Cricketing authorities could establish a rule, that any wire-pulling to earn a place on India's team would also result in disqualification of the player concerned. We have seen enough of wire-pulling and the pushing of influence in Indian cricket. Let players come in solely on merit.

Further, it should always be kept in mind that the object of the M. C. C. tour is to improve the general standard of Indian cricket. So, let us not see the same bunch of front rankers in most matches come up against the M. C. C. All of them have had their coaching. An opportunity should be afforded the young talent of India. It is very desirable that in each centre local, promising youngsters might be given an opportunity to learn something more of the game. This will prove of great value to the country in coming years.

A letter from England says, that M. C. C. are not underestimating India's strength and they expect much stronger opposition than when last in India.

I am not alone in feeling, that wire pulling and influence ruled out of Indian cricket, this country has a good chance of winning the rubber this time against the M. C. C.

Let us hope, there will be no fuss about the selection of India's captain. Whoever is chosen, let our players give him their entire loyalty and obedience.

TENNIS

Very few people were surprised at India's elimination in the Davis Cup by Belgium. When S. L. R. Sawhney fell out, India's chances were doomed. Ghaus Mohammed has had some favourable comments made about his game, but there does not appear to be any very great come on in his case. Y. R. Savoor, was never expected by Indian critics to do anything. His erratic play should have been sufficient to keep him out of India's team. He might have gained some experience. Let us wish that Iftikhar Ahmed has learnt something while on tour. The latter did not deserve a place on Tennis merit. He also it is supposed, went to improve his game.

VARIED FARE

The British Empire Team, to play in the Westchester Cup matches, which begin on June 7, will be mounted often on ponies from India.

The players will use some valuable polo-ponies belonging to the Maharaja of Kashmir and the Nawab of Bhopal.

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Mrs. Wills Moody, eight times winner of the Wimbledon singles Championship, is to visit England to defend her title. She has been putting in strenuous practice in New York. She surprised Tennis fans recently when she forced Walter Senior, one of America's leading professionals to go all out to beat her 6-4, 7-5.

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S. C. Wooderson, the British runner, who is training for his forthcoming trip to America, ran a mile in 4 minutes 14.5 seconds. In this run, a handicap affair, he conceded starts up to 260 yards and showed he was in fine fettle. He made an effort to do the half-mile in 2 minutes 7 seconds, but at that stage was one and one-fifth of a second outside the schedule time.

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Our congratulations to Miss Leila Row who in partnership with the Raja of Ramnad won the mixed double event in the Lawley Tennis Tournament at Ootacamund Miss Row and her partner beat Mrs. Lefevre and M. V. Bobjee 6-3, 6-2. Miss Row put up a good display and helped the Raja of Ramand to win the mixed doubles title. The Raja was prominent, his service returns and crisp volleying being much in evidence.

Miss Row's forehand functioned well, and Bobjee, though he tried hard, was unable to intercept at the net.

Roark To Retire From Polo

NEW YORK, May 26

Roark confirmed to Reuter that he is retiring from Nnternational Polo at the end of the season. He does not expect to play polo again after Westchester matches. He hopes eventually to become an American citnzen.—

HARWOOD LEAGUE

Caltex And Gymkhana Share Points

The Bombay Gymkhana and Caltex Sports Club have yet to win a match in the Harwood League. In their three matches played, they have failed to earn full points. Both sides have been beaten once and have shared honours in the other two encounters.

On Friday evening when the teams clashed, the game ended in a pointless draw, a very good index of the run of play. Cohen in the Caltex goal played his usual confident game and saved his side often. Green, the other goalkeeper was also good. Schultz and Collins the Gymkhana backs played a determined and hustling game. Corton, the Caltex left back, did some good spoiling, Marsden was very conspicuous in the Gymkhana forward line. Selkirk was the most useful of the opposite quintette. Telang as centre-half behind them did all that was expected of him.

THE GAME

From the kick off Caltex went over and Green in the Gymkhana goal was tested. The Gymkhana travelled up from the clearance, Corton however sent them back. The yellow and black shirt maintained pressure, Maartensz, the Caltex right-hali, broke up a smart movement. Marsden was offered an opportunity to score in the next minute following a scramble in the front of the Caltex goal. He put the ball wide. Cohen had a busy few minutes but was equal to all efforts.

It was Caltex who were in the picture now, but Collins and Schultz were effective at back. Wilson put in a poor shot eventually. Had he passed on the ball to Martins, instead of shooting, it might have given Caltex the lead.

At the other end Cohen brought off a great save, a high pass from the left was headed in by Marsden and what looked like a sure goal was cleverly intercepted. Collins in the opposite goal did a bit of nice saving, when Selkirk tried to score with a header. Both goals had a share of the raiding. Reid put in a fine shot for the Gymkhana only to see Cohen meet the ball correctly, Marsden spoilt a positive sitter, a little steadiness in sending in the ball would have credited the Gymkhana with a point. Half-time come with no score. Two nice raids by the Caltex men opened the second period. This was followed by a movement by the Gymkhana, Cohen again saved his side. Caltex forced a corner and Selkirk lost an opportunity to score through overeagerness. The Gymkhana transferred play and the Caltex defence had to fight hard. A save by Cohen at this juncture was considered lucky. Williams sent in a fine ground shot, that all expected to find the net, but Cohen somehow got to the ball and saved. The Gymkhana next had some anxious minutes, it was fortunate for the defender that Caltex lacked shooting power. Play continued to be of an up and down nocture. In the course of a late movement Martins missed a sitter in front of the Gymkhana goal. In the closing stages Caltex put in some frantic efforts to get the deciding point and time and again all but succeeded. Erratic play and the resourcefulness of Green with the stormy football of Schultz kept the score at love all. A last minute effort by the Gymkhana made no change in the position of things.

RESULT

BOMBAY GYMKHANA Nil.
CALTEX SPORTS CLUB Nil.

TEAMS

BOMBAY GYMKHANA:—Green; Collins and Schultz; Tudge, Preston and Williams; Cowell, Marsden, A. Williams, Reid and Love.

CALTEX SPORTS CLUB:—Cohen; Sharp and Corton; Maartensz, Telang and Middlecoat; Martins, Wilson, Gibson, Selkirk and Karunaker.

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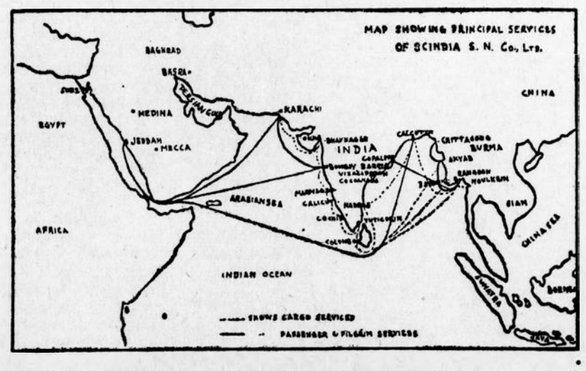

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Sunset: 7h. 10m.
Municipal Schools Committee, 2-40 p.m.
Provincial Khilafat Conference, Mahomedali Road, 9-30 p.m.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

JOSHI—Dr. Narayan Martand, L. M. & S. of heart failure at Mahableshwar on Thursday morning 25th May, leaving behind his beloved wife, only son and two daughters and a large circle of relations and friends to mourn his loss.

WHIST DRIVE

There will be a Whist Drive to-day (Saturday), at 5-30 p.m. at the Mangalorean Recreation Club, Perry Road, Bandra.

TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION, KANDIVLI

The annual closing ceremony of the Institute will take place on the site of the Institute at 6 p.m. to-day (Saturday). Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister, Bombay, will preside.

INCOME-TAX CONSULTANTS MEETING

A meeting of the Income-Tax practitioners will be held to-day (Saturday), at 4 p.m. (S.T.) at Mr. Bhogilal's office, Kalbadevi Road, Chhotalal Bhuwan.

POSTAL NOTICE

Superscribed regd. and unregd. correspondence for Jeddh (Hedjaz) per s.s. "Alavi" via Karachi will be accepted at the General Post Office upto 3 p.m. on Saturday the 27th and 5 p.m. on Sunday the 28th instant respectively.

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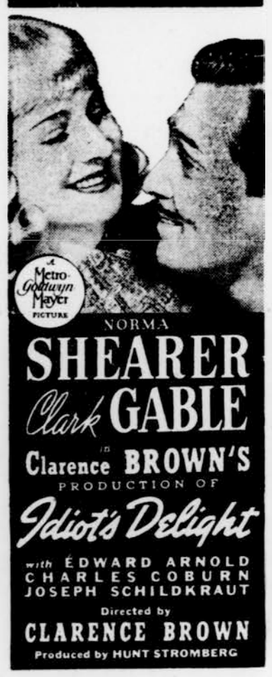

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EXCELSIOR—"The Girl Downstairs" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Sharpshooters" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Bari-Didi" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
CAPITOL—"Dhoop Chhaon" Time as usual.
CENTRAL—"Baji Prabhu Deshpande" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 2 p.m.
PATHE—"The Only Way" Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Dodge City" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Sitara" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
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MINERVA—"President" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
WEST-END—"The Kick" Daily at 4-15, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Mother India" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 1-45 p.m.
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SUPER—"Leather Face" Daily at 4-45, 7-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee, to-day and to-morrow at 2-15 p.m.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

The N.Y.K. Steamer "Tango Maru" left Colombo for Bombay via ports, on 26th May, 1939 and is expected to arrive here on Monday, 29th May, 1939 at 7-0 p.m.

FLAG SALUTATION IN "B" WARD

Under the auspices of "B" Ward District Congress Committee there will be a monthly flag salutation at Lokhand Jatha, Argyle Road, to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a. m. Sjt. Salebhoy Abdul Kadar will unfurl the flag.

BAND AT ESPLANADE BANDSTAND

The band of the Bombay City Police will play a programme of music at the Esplanade Bandstand to-day (Saturday) commencing from 6 p. m. to 8 p.m. (S.T.).

'F' WARD DISTRICT CONGRESS COMMITTEE

The monthly National Flag salutation will be held to-morrow (Sunday), at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at the Committee's office, Parel Poibavdi Sjt. Jhinabhai P. Joshi (M.L.A.) president of the Committee will unfurl the flag.

FLAG SALUTATION AT SANTA CRUZ

Under the auspices of the Santa Cruz Congress Committee, monthly Flag Salutation ceremony will take place to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a. m. at Bajajwadi, Station Road Santa Cruz.

FLAG SALUTATION AT KHAR

The monthly Flag Salutation ceremony will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. at Laxminagar Hall, 10th Road Khar.

VEDANTA PHILOSOPHY

Swami Sambuddhananda will resume his weekly public lectures on "The First Lesson on Sankaracharya's Vedanta Philosophy" at the Batliboi's Institute Hall, to-day (Saturday), at 3-30 p.m. (S.T.).

GEETA CLASS

Swami Sambuddhananda of Ramakrishna Mission will resume his public class on Bhagwat Geeta at the Mission Library Hall, from to-morrow (Sunday), at 9 a.m. (S.T.).

EXCURSION TO VIHAR LAKE

Balkan-ji-Bari boys and girls will go for a whole-day excursion to Vihar Lake to-morrow (Sunday), starting from Laxmi Nagar Pavilion, 10th Road, Khar at 7 a.m.

BASSEIN MUNICIPALITY

The 75th year Jubilee of the Bassein Municipality will be celebrated to-day (Saturday) under the presidentship of Mr. S. K. Patil.

The foundation stone of the extension to the Jagmohandas Pranjivandas Maternity Ward will be laid the same day by the Archbishop of Bombay at 8 a. m.

BOMBAY YARN AND SILK MERCHANTS' ASSOCIATION

The adjourned extraordinary general meeting of the Association will be held in the Association Hall to-day (Saturday) at 3 p.m. (S.T.) to consider the report of recommendations submitted by the Sub-Committee regarding the control of forwarding trading in the market.

"TIMES OF INDIA" PRESS WORKERS' MEETING

Under the auspices of "The Times Of India" Press Employees Association a general meeting of its members will be held to-day (Saturday), at 6-30 p.m. in Blavatsky Lodge, near French Bridge, Girgaum, Bombay 4. Sjts. M. R. Masani, Purshottam Trikamdas and other leaders of the Association will address the meeting.

HANSRAJ MORARJI PUBLIC SCHOOL, ANDHERI

The Principal and Staff of the Public School have now gone into residence and persons desirous of getting information regarding the School can see the Principal at the School between 8 and 10 a.m. in the school (Tel. No. 86406) and between 12 and 2 p.m. at the Bai Kahibai Charity Trust Office, (Tel. No. 21648).

Mr. Mohmedali K. Bandukwala of the Bombay Armoury and President of the Bombay Arms and Ammunition Dealers' Association left by "Conte Rosso" on Friday on a business tour on the Continent.

Muslims Must Join Fight For Freedom

Jamiat President On Commonly Cherished Goal Of Independence

MORADABAD, May 25.

A reference to the disruptive tendencies which had made themselves manifest among Congressmen and the growing rift between the Muslim League and the Congress was made by Maulana Mohamad Mian Faruqui of Allahabad in the course of his presidential address at the Agra province Jamiat-ul-Conference.

Such fissiparious tendencies were, added Maulana Faruqui, calculated to impede the progress of the country towards her commonly cherished goal—independence. He recounted what the Jamiat-ul-Ulema had done to achieve independence of the country and assured the audience that the Jamiat was pursuing the same policy to-day, with even greater zeal and enthusiasm. He would once again advocate he said, that Muslims should join hands with other communities inhabiting India in the fight for freedom.—A. P.

MAGISTRATE MANKER ILL

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. W. C. Manker, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court, has been unable to take his seat on the bench for three days owing indisposition. The case of Mr. W. T. Halai which was to have been taken up to-day has been postponed to May 29.

The defamation case of Motiram Bhawoo against Mr. B. G. Horniman and another which should have been heard to-day has also been postponed.

FREE CINEMA SHOW FOR THE ILLITERATE ADULTS

On behalf of the Adarsha Yuvak Sangh a free cinema film entitled 'Such Hai' 'Its True' will be shown in the Alfred Cinema Talkies, Grant Road, to-morrow (Sunday), at 9 a.m. Teachers conducting the literacy classes are requested to take passes for the show from the Secretaries, Messrs. Khandre and Mayeker, to-day (Saturday) before 3 p. m. They are requested to bring their attendance forms when they come for the passes.

BOMBAY YOUTHS' LITERARY AND DEBATING ASSOCIATION

There will be a public debate on Sunday, 28th May at 4 p.m. at the King George English High School, Hindu Colony, Dadar, when Mr. P. R. Rao will move "That the right of divorce contributes to social progress" and Mr. Bhise will lead the opposition. Mrs. Yamunabai Hirlekar will preside.

YOUTHS' PARLIAMENT

That "The Congress is deviating from the main objective of complete Independence", will be the subject of a debate in 'Youth Lodge', Blavatsky Lodge, to-day (Saturday), at 6-15 p.m. Mr. K. Muddappa will propose and Mr. S. R. Acharya will oppose. Mr. Mithaiwalla, of Tutorial High School, will preside.

MATUNGA ARYA SAMAJ

There will be a public meeting at Matunga to-day (Saturday), at 7 p.m. under the auspices of Matunga Arya Samaj to accord welcome to the girl students of Baroda Arya Kanya Mahavidyalaya, who are here to collect funds for Hyderabad Satyagraha. Miss Savita Nanjibhai Mehta, Miss Vasanti, Miss Sarla Chandkaran Sarda, and Snatika Yashoda Kumari will speak on their mission. Pandit Anand Privaji, the General Secretary All-India Hindu Mahasabha, Lala Devidayalji and others will also speak. Loud speakers will be installed.

Mr. R. C. Mehta, Proprietor of Kappel Typewriters (India) Agency, sailed for Germany to learn modern methods of business.

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First Batch To Give Demonstration: Premier To Preside

BOMBAY, Friday

The first batch of 90 students including ten women who have been undergoing a special course of physical instruction at the Government Physical Culture Training School at Kandivli for the last six months have just completed their course and will be leaving for their respective institutions to popularise physical culture. Prior to their departure, these students will give a demonstration of lazim drill, wrestling, boxing and other physical culture items at Kandivli at 6 p.m. today. The Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher will preside.

The Physical Culture Institute which has been in existence since the beginning of November last has fulfilled the expectations of the Government in the matter of imparting the training which is so necessary for teachers in the province.

SPECIAL PLAY FIELDS

The Institute which is conducted under the able guidance of Mr. P. M. Joseph, has very extensive grounds, having at its disposal nearly 230 acres. Special play fields have been levelled and prepared for conducting different games and athletic and outdoor activities. There is a special gymnasium for men with a wrestling pit, a boxing ring and different kinds of heavy and light apparatus. A separate gymnasium is provided for women students.

The course that these graduates have undergone consists both of theory and practice. Theoretical courses include such subjects as Anatomy, Physiology, First Aid, Hygiene, Sanitation, Principles of Physical Education, etc. In the Practical classes different kinds of games, lathi lezim, freehand drills, marching, etc., are taught. A sense of discipline, love for the outdoor life and appreciation of physical activities and technique and teaching are emphasised in the course of training.

TRAINED TEACHERS

It is the object of the Government to have such trained teachers in all secondary schools and training colleges all over the Province. In addition, some of these students under training will be connected with public gymnasia, promoting physical activities of the people.

There is provision for a short term course which lasts only for 2 1/2 months and is now being conducted for nearly 200 teachers. There are 20 women and 174 men camping in the semi-permanent structures and are undergoing a rigorous course of physical education. These teachers are paid their travelling allowance and food charges by Government.

On completing the course, all these men and women are expected to go back to their respective institutions and conduct various physical culture training classes. It is expected that in course of time all secondary school teachers will be trained so as to be able to conduct the school physical education programmes. Before long, the benefit of the training that these enthusiastic and sturdy young teachers are receiving, it is expected, will reach thousands of boys and girls all over the Province.

NAGPADA NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

There will be a public debate on Sunday at 10 a.m. on "In the interest of India Gandhiji should retire from politics". Mr. H. R. Sani will move the proposition and Mr. T. G. Mane will oppose it

SOCIAL WORKER SOCIETY

For sanitary round and visiting the Chawls, the members of the Social Workers Society will meet to-day (Saturday) at 4-15 p.m. below the Railway Bridge, Dock Yard Station, (Harbour Branch).

MISS GERTRUDE JAYETILEKA the talented Sinhalese Pianist, a new-comer to Bombay is one of Colombo's foremost musicians who has done much for the cause of charity. Miss. Jayetileka, is also a singer of Sinhalese folk songs.

NO HYDERABAD NEWS IN PUNJAB PAPERS

Sir Sikandar's Proposed Order To Lahore Newspapers

(From Our Correspondent).
SIMLA, May 26.

A sensational report that Sir Sikandar in the course of a talk with Lahore Journalists announced the decision that after May 29 no reference to the Satyagraha movement in Hyderabad State should be published in the Punjab papers was received in Simla through this morning's papers.

It appears journalists argued with the Premier, characterising it as an unheard of thing to ask the press to publish nothing about a matter in which the Hindu community was interested, but the Premier is reported to have refused to change the decision. Lahore journalists have wired about the situation to Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, Mahatma Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru.

NO ULTIMATUM TO PUNJAB PRESS

Sir Sikandar's Talks With Lahore Journalists

(From Our Correspondent.)
SIMLA, May 26.

I have made enquiries to-day in authoritative circles regarding Sir Sikandar's talk with Lahore journalists. Punjab Premier is reported to have characterised morning's report as exaggerated. He says, he conveyed no ultimatum to the Punjab press but only requested them not to give prominence to Hyderabad Satyagraha news in the interests of communal peace

BOMBAY AND AHMEDABAD MILL CLOTH

Bose Party Has Not Launched Its Boycott

The "Times of India" in its issue of Thursday published the following from its Ahmedabad correspondent:—

"There was slight demand (for cloth) from Amritsar, while inquiry from Calcutta has not materialised as expected owing, it is stated, to the boycott of Bombay and Ahmedabad Mill Cloth launched by the Bose party for political reasons."

We are asked to state that there is no truth in the report that the Bose party has launched a boycott of Bombay and Ahmedabad mill cloth.

Shankaracharya Of Dholka Pith

(From A Correspondent)

A great procession of Shreemat Shankaracharya of Dholka Pith was led by Brahmin and Bania communities to Mahalaxmi temple and was received by them and seated in the temple worshipping and offering presents to him with great pomp. He was also received at other places on the same day."

UPNAGAR ARYA SAMAJ, VILE PARLE

Under the auspices of Upnagar Arya Samaj, Vile Parle, Shree Swami Satyadevji will deliver a lecture on the present Germany's problem at Tilak Mandir Vile Parle (East) to-morrow (Sunday), at 7-30 a.m.

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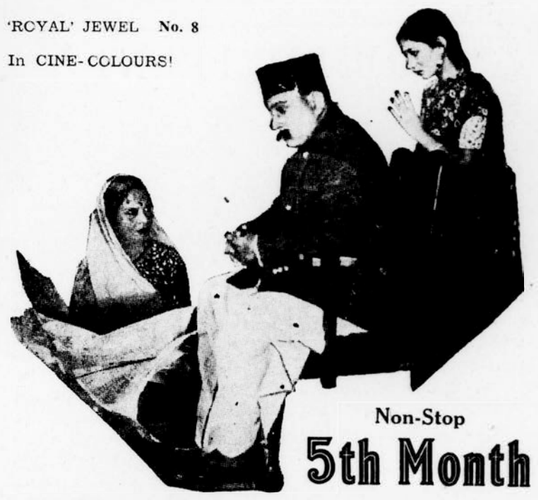

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Thana District Political Conference

The seventh session of the Thana District Political Conference will be held at Bordi at 2 p.m. on Sunday next, Mr. Gangadharrao Deshpande will preside.

Bordi is about two miles from Gholvad which is on the B. B. & C. I. line.

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COMMON FRONT

The conference of Home Ministers which met at Simla during the last three days is one of several such conferences of Provincial Ministers held so far to explore the avenues of necessary co-ordination among the Provinces and between the Provinces on the one hand and the Central Government on the other on all matters of common interest. Such co-ordination is particularly necessary in the administration of Law and Order without prejudice to the autonomy in the Provinces. A certain measure of uniformity in the administration of the Home Department subjects helps to reassure the Governments and the public alike that they are following sound established policies. Various problems affecting law and order, such as communal conflict, Labour troubles, clashes between kisans and landlords are common to most provinces and Ministers will feel their hands strengthened if they compare notes and devise such common methods of dealing with them as have been found to be effective, it being, of course, understood that peculiar local conditions will demand special treatment.

Failure Of Central Govt.

Co-ordination is also necessary between the Central Government and the Provincial Governments. The two are intimately connected with each other in the administration of central subjects such as defence, trade pacts, extradition, passports and visas, ashes and explosives, restrictions on literature under the Sea Customs Act, and registration of foreigners. And as the Home Member, Government of India, pointed out in opening the Ministers' conference, in all such matters, whether their administration has been formally entrusted to the Provinces or not "the central policy must take account of local conditions and there is scope for mutual accommodation and understanding." Unfortunately, however, the Central Government have so far paid scant respect to the views of Provincial Governments in matters like the Indo-British Trade Agreement, defence policy, the Exchange Ratio, position of Central police etc. It is true that some of these subjects are outside the scope of the present conference. But the need for taking account of the views of local Governments is as great in these as in any other subjects.

Condition Of Co-operation

That raises the question how true co-ordination or co-operation is to be ensured between the various units of the Government in India. So far as the different provincial Governments are concerned, they will not find it difficult to devise fairly common policies acceptable to all, because they are all responsible to the nation's will, which is substantially the same in every province. But it is not equally easy to secure similar co-ordination between responsible Provincial Governments on the one hand and the irresponsible Central Government on the other. It is possible only on the basis of responsibility, to the extent all Governments respect the country's will. Where the Constitution does not provide for co-operation on these lines, conventions can be voluntarily established. But the tendency on the part of the Government of India and the British Government seems to be the other way, as, for instance, in the case of the Government of India Act Amending Bill, which practically kills autonomy in war time. The Home Member, referring to this point, said: "I observe that although what is known as the Defence amendment of the Government of India Act which is now before Parliament has been criticised on the ground (which I do not for a moment admit) that it seeks to remove from the provinces the powers which they have, the Centre has always been anxious to leave to the provinces the executive responsibility for Air Raid precautions, while certain provinces have shown an inclination to pass it back to the Centre." This is no answer to the people's objection. The Central Government will naturally try first to get their policy accepted by the Provinces, but will not scruple to impose it upon them if they do not accept it. It is clear that in respect of war measures, which perhaps are most responsible for the present conference the Central Government will attempt to exact abject subservience from the Provincial Governments in the name of co-ordination. Congress Governments will relentlessly resist such an attempt. They will, however, gladly offer co-operationm on the basis of complete responsibility to the people. Only on such a basis can the Home Member get the Common Front for which he appeals.

The New Plan

Subsequent reports which give a fuller summary of the proposals which Britain is understood to have offered to Russia show that the progress towards the Russian view-point is not nominal, but real and substantial. The basic demand of a triple alliance between Russia, Britain and France appears to have been accepted in regard to direct aggression upon the European territories of any of the three Powers. Russia is sufficiently confident of her position in the Far East to have herself excluded any question of assistance in that sphere. There, however, remains the difficulty of indirect aggression. Suppose Germany strikes at one of the unguaranteed Baltic States and Russia goes to its assistance what will Britain and France to in that event? This question is evidently one of those to which Mr. Chamberlain referred and which have been left for further discussion. We do not think there ought to be any difficulty in solving it given goodwill and the realisation that it is the whole principle of aggression and not only aggression upon a few selected countries which has to be fought.

The proposals offered as well as those still reserved have, however, yet to be discussed and converted into a regular and formal agreement. In the meantime, one noteworthy feature of the new British plan is its reception in Berlin. It is a great compliment to the British proposals. It almost justifies an assumption that it is all that it should be. The Berlin Press is furious and abusive because it realises that Russia's entry into the Peace Front constitutes the most dangerous and, indeed, decisive challenge to Totalitarian aggression. The Axis move to counter the Anglo-French-Russian alliance is not surprising. It is inevitable. A military alliance with Japan cannot, however, cause the least amount of anxiety. In her present plight, Japan can be accounted for by Russia alone with the greatest ease and despatch. By joining the Axis in such an alliance Japan will only doom herself more certainly to complete destruction. Spain will be more troublesome because of the threat to Gibraltar and to French communications with Africa. But Spain's accession to the Axis is a contingency long known as the utterly inevitable consequence of the policy of realistic non-intervention which brought victory to the protege of the Axis Powers. But no combination that the Axis Powers can work up can possibly prevail in a conflict with a Peace Front which includes Russia. Indeed, if the triple alliance materialises the Axis Powers may quite probably bid goodbye to all plans of force.

Douglas Reed

By D. F. KARAKA

At a time like the present when the fate of Europe hangs in the balance, one is inclined to concentrate upon those great names—our contemporaries—who will make history for us and for posterity. These names are those of Hitler, of Mussolini, of Roosevelt, of Neville Chamberlain. When you think of the war years you associate them with Lloyd George, Clemanceau, the Kaiser and President Wilson. You think also of Versailles where the ill-fated treaty was signed, but for which there might have been peace in Europe to-day. Somehow we do not think of the hundreds of lesser men who played a greater part perhaps, but who are forgotten now. These men work unobstrusively, but make a contribution to this world which is lasting and permanent. One such name which I would like to remember is that of Douglas Reed.

He came for the first time into prominence when he wrote that best seller, 'Insanity Fair.' All these many years he has been a correspondent of the 'Times', without the world ever knowing of his existence. His despatches for that paper have been known for the accuracy of the information they contained. Yet the credit never went to him. These were published as dispatches in the 'Times' always are, as coming from "Our Special Correspondent." It is the price the journalist sometimes pays in the cause of journalism.

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'Insanity Fair' was a great success. It was streets above the journalistic effort of John Gunther, who wrote "Inside Europe." It was more sure of itself, more informative, more accurate a representation of the political situation in Europe. It was not content with facts, but ventured to prophesy. There were not many at that time who believed in its prophecies. England would never foresake Czecho-Slovakia, we thought. England was too powerful ever to succumb to the threats of Hitler and his Brown army. And yet we have seen this happen and more. To-day we begin to realise that we knew little about Europe and less about the men in power in England. We had faith in Munich and when Chamberlain returned from his epic flight there were many who wanted the bells of Westminster to ring in his honour. We believed in peace. Many thousands of our generation were afraid of the horrid spectre of war and the mutilation that would follow.

Peace at any cost was more desirable to the horrors that would follow in the wake of a world war. We did not realise that what Chamberlain had done was to bring Europe nearer to war instead of making it safe for peace and democracy.

To-day our eyes have opened. Those who have read the sequel to 'Insanity Fair,' which is entitled 'Disgrace Abounding' have gathered a different impression of the state of affairs in Europe to-day than that which was in our minds before. It is Douglas Reed who is responsible for that impression. Let us therefore have the honesty to acknowledge it.

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'Disgrace Abounding' is one of the most important books of this year. It presents, as no other contemporary publication does, an accurate picture of that part of Europe on which the eyes of a whole world are focussed. It contains a bitter indictment of those in power in England, to whose policy much of the trouble in Europe can be traced. It is beautifully written as if it might be a modern oddysey to the living and a modern epitaph to the dead, "with the tears of women as the theme song of our time." So it is all throughout the book which is interpersed with bits of poetic prose. It is in keeping with the tempo of our time. He expresses his indignation at the things that are done to a woman who has plunged into the Danube in despair and emerged out of it a mere corpse. There was the woman, dragged on to the banks, lifeless, swollen. The eyes of inquisitive people were centred upon her dead body. In a chapel on the hillside near by they were singing. Says Douglas Reed; "Sing, I thought savagely, sing for her immortal soul, you, corpulent priest, and you, dirty monk-like beggar, praying and singing is your trade, but isn't there any man jack of you to

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Educational Research In India

A Survey With Suggestions

By Dr. G. S. Krishnayya, M. A., Ph. D.

The survey of Training Colleges made sometime ago by the writer as Secretary of the section on Teacher-Training, Research and Experiments of the All-India Educational Federation, revealed that the vast majority of the Colleges considered themselves ill-equipped and unprepared for undertaking educational research that only a fourth of the Universities awarding Teaching Degrees and had instituted a Research Degree as well, and that the annual achievement of these in the way of research was almost negligible.

The Present Situation

The disclosure is distressing but the explanation is not difficult to discover. The whole time, energy and thought of the staff is taken up with putting the apprentices through the operations which are expected to render them expert in their craft. The one year's course (involving in some cases no more than 6 or 7 months' college work) with its endless requirements—theoretical and practical, physical, social and mental—leaves little room for anything beyond the teaching or the learning of the tricks of the trade. 'No time to stand and stare.' The Training College seems meant for training teachers and it has to go at it, if the requirements are to be met, like a horse in blinkers. While it is still true that most private and Government colleges have no one with experience in educational research on their staff, even those better manned find themselves in no better position for fostering research. Neither the candidates nor the professors have the necessary margin for the purpose.

Poor Progress

True, certain Universities have instituted the M. Ed. Degree and permit students to work privately and submit theses for the degree, but the rate of research work is disgracefully slow. Even if the atmosphere in the Colleges should be favourable, the professors recognised for the purpose, it has been found from enquiry to experience, have little mental leisure after the daily grind has been gone through. And the students (granting what can't be granted—that they have the technique and can secure the materials) being engaged in full time jobs, can do little continuous and concentrated work to produce perceptible results. Small wonder that the enthusiastic candidate withers away like the plant in the parable fighting a losing battle on thorny soil. Besides no man can serve two masters and do justice to both. The all too common regulation permitting candidates to prepare theses privately might, in the case of an enthusiastic researcher amount to abetment in, if not instigation to, neglect of duty! The inevitable has already happened in two of the four Universities—the degree has never been conferred in one case and not for the last six years in the other. In the other two cases, it is only too early to pronounce a verdict.

Dacca Training College

It would not be true to fact, however, to say that nothing along this line has been done by any training institution. The Dacca Training College, under Dr. Michael West's direction did produce some theses. Vocabulary Tests, Intelligence Measurement, Word Frequency in Bengali, Achievement Tests in the different subjects, Reading Interests of children at various stages, Marking and Examinations, are a few of the subjects tackled. But it must be noted here that West's post-graduate candidates were full time residential students, not part-time—and this fact supports the general contention regarding the importance of undivided attention as a condition precedent to effective research work.

The gloom of the situation in the Training Colleges 'vis-a-vis' Educational Research is not relieved by the existence of other provincial or national bodies devoted to work of this type. It is incredible, but not the less true for it, that in the year of Grace 1938, there is not a single Bureau of Educational Research run by either the University or the Department of Public Instruction of any State or Province in the sub-continent India. If there is one, it has not yet made itself felt.

The research work that is being done now-a-days is mostly private and personal, therefore sporadic and spasmodic. Individuals with a passion for investigation are working on certain problems. No organization backs their enterprise. Recognition comes occasionally, but their undertaking being unofficial, their findings often remain unused, unpraised and unpublished. Love's labour lost! Few people outside their circle know anything about their splendid achievements and no fellow-worker is benefited by their experience.

The present situation is far from satisfactory. Fostering research and experiment is not a luxury but a desperate national necessity. It may be worth while therefore to consider briefly what might be done bearing in mind our peculiar conditions.

University Departments

At the outset it was made clear that Training Colleges devoted to the job of turning out peda-

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

Suspicious Behaviour

The Danzig Nazis have replied to Polish Notes on the Kalthof incidents by two counter-notes. Evidently they want to bluff their way out of the situation that has arisen. But let us hope that Poland remains firm in her demands in spite of the fact that, as we suspect, her friends will press her to modify her stand. Mr. Chamberlain making a statement in Parliament on the incident observed--although the facts and Nazi responsibility for the trouble are both clear--that "there was conflict of evidence as to the nature and results of these demonstrations." Mr. Chamberlain's assumption of judicial impartiality between aggressors and victims points usually to the probability of "realistic" intervention to the prejudice of his friends. Poland has to watch out. And talking of Mr. Chamberlain's "realism," the British Premier insisted, the other day, in spite of arguments, that he was "satisfied" that Italian armaments would be withdrawn from Spain. Now there is a report from Rome itself that Italian legionaries will hand their artillery over to General Franco!

Japan And Powers

A Japanese spokesman has defended the recent outrages against the "Ranpura" and the "Aramis." What is more, he has given the impression that such outrages will continue on the ground, particularly, of circumstances which the spokesman was unwilling to define. As we have already suggested, the victorious resistance of Japanese aggression by China has forced upon Japan the conviction that defeat will be her ultimate lot in the "China" incident." This, in its turn, is driving the Japanese militarists mad. Let us hope the Powers stand firm. For, if they yield, they will not only injure themselves but will also be guilty, indirectly, of one of the worst acts of international betrayal and treachery.

Kanara Satyagraha

While laying down the foundation-stone of the Satyagraha Memorial in Kanara, the Bombay Premier briefly reviewed the no-tax campaign which the poor peasants of the District had carried on and the terrible sufferings they had undergone throughout the ordeal. And he stated a plain truth when he said that the sacrifices made by Gujarat and Karnatak were largely responsible for giving the Congress its present power. Kanara is the poorest district in the province and also the most backward. But these twenty years it has been phenomenally loyal to the Congress and Gandhiji. Mr. Kher, after pointing out how on a similar occasion at Bardoli "the villagers to a man promised to join another fight if an occasion arose," expressed the hope that the villagers of Kanara would do likewise. Their past record is a guarantee of their future services.

Deserved Tributes

Addressing the Muslims of Salem the other day, Sir Mirza Ismail, the Diwan of Mysore, exhorted them "to repose the utmost confidence in the good intentions of the Madras Government towards their community." He is careful in not excluding the possibilitly of the Government committing an error in spite of their good intentions. But where an error is committed or is supposed to be committed, those who see it should point it out in the constitutional ways now open to them, and it will be in the interest of the Government themselves to rectify it. But those Muslim critics of the Congress Governments who concoct grievances where there are none and who even attribute unworthy motives to the Congress only discredit themselves. Sir Mirza paid a deserved tribute to the Madras Premier in describing him as "a renowned patriot who is more interested in serving his country than his community." Would that the Muslims could believe that there are thousands in the Congress who, though not renowned are patriotic enough to be more interested in serving their country than their communities!

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Contentment will not clothe and feed.

Remorse is memory that has begun to ferment.

Self-inspection is said to be a sure cure for self-esteem.

Woman is less suspicious of flattery than any other animal.

Advertisements that tell of a cure for baldness come under the head of hair-raising stories.

A country can struggle along without kings and queens as long as it has a few political bosses.

WITHOUT COMMENT—

NEW YORK, May 26.

Herr Fritz Kuhn, leader of a pro-Nazi German-American organisation, has been arrested on a charge of larceny and forgery. An official announcement states that the indictment contains twelve counts based on an alleged theft of 14,000 dollars.—Reuter

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Members of the Emigration Committee complain, reports our Delhi correspondent, that although the Government of India were in possessior of a copy of the South African Segregation Bill they neither published it in India nor did they even supply it to the Committee.

But is there any particular reason why the Government of India should have gone out of their dutiful way to do such things?

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Lord Zetland invites those in India who inveigh against British Imperialism to consider how their lot under the imperialism of any of those, who, in these days, have raised aloft the standard of power politics, would be likely to compare with their present lot as citizens of the British Empire."

You see, you foolish, thoughtless illogical Indians? You must do nothing to cure yourselves of a corroding emasculating disease. Indeed you must gladly cherish it and even thank God for it. For—there are one or two worse diseases abroad in the world.

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And with that we had better take leave of Lord Zetland and his immaculately but quite characteristically British logic and intellectual honesty.

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Five Arabs, says a Haifa message, were wounded at Haifa today when a party of Jews drove through the Arab quarter in a stolen car, firing automatic pistols.

"The car," proceeds the report and we are surprised at Reuter, "belonged to a brother of Dr. Chain Weizmann and was later left at the residence of the owner of the car."

Any way, we are glad to note that the gunmen were considerate enough (1) not to steal the owner himself and (2) to return the car to his residence if not to its garage.

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According to reports from Tokio fighting on the Mongolian-Manchukuan frontier continues and some 400 outer Mongolian troops invaded Manchukuan territory twice and were twice repulsed.

Suffering, of course, 800 dead and 1,600 wounded.

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When Italian legionaries leave Spain, they will hand their artillery to General Franco, says a Rome message.

We refuse to recognise this truth since Mr. Chamberlain is quite "satisfied" that Signor Mussolini will honour the assurance which he is breaking.

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Mr. Chamberlain has refused to give an assurance that there would be no "de facto" recognition of the new status of Bohemia and Moravia because "it is not usual to give an assurance of that kind".

This is obviously an assurance that Mr. Chamberlain would strictly follow the usual course—and recognise the new regime "de facto".

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A British liner and later a French one too were forcibly stopped outside Hongkong by the Japanese who examined the ship's papers.

It is suggested that the same courtesy would be extended to an America ship too provided Japan was assured of the response.

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The situation in the Far East has become increasingly delicate, says London.

All the more so because the situation and its delicacy are both becoming increasingly liable to be abolished by Mr. Chamberlain's realism.

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Clerk—"I'd like to get a week off, to attend the wedding of a friend."

Employer—"A very dear friend, I should think, to make you want that much time off."

Clerk—"Well, sir, after the ceremony she will be my wife.

MORE REVENUE FOR LOCAL BODIES

Uneconomic Municipalities To Be Turned Into Panchayats

KALE COMMITTEE'S LIKELY RECOMMENDATIONS

(Special to the "Chronicle.")

BOMBAY, Friday.

The Kale Committee appointed by the Government of Bombay to examine questions relating to local bodies in the Province and suggest methods for improving their administration has examined 150 representatives of local bodies. The Committee's report which was expected to be submitted to the Government next month will, however, be delayed by a month or two as the Committee has still to visit Sholapur and Ahmednagar.

FINANCIAL RELATIONS.

One of the important terms of reference to the Committee was to examine the financial relations between Government and local bodies with special reference to the existing and future resources and to make recommendations for improving the financial condition of local bodies. It is understood that the evidence collected by the Kale Committee favours a progressive rate of local board cess ranging from 1 anna to 3 annas in the rupee. According to the present arrangement, the Government collects cess ranging from 1 anna to 2 annas in the rupee when it takes land revenue. The local bodies find their resources inadequate at present and therefore urge a progressive rate of cess.

A PROFESSION TAX.

The right of collecting a profession tax is vested in local bodies but the feeling seems to be that the work of collection will cost these bodies exorbitant sums of money. There is therefore a suggestion that in case any profession tax is levied, the responsibility of collection should not rest on the shoulders of local bodies.

The material received by the Committee in reply to its questionnaire, it is understood, throws very little light on the question regarding new sources of revenue for local bodies. There seems to be a general grievance that fresh sources like entertainments tax etc. are usurped by Provincial Governments.

A large majority among the small uneconomic municipalities, it is learnt, are in favour of being turned into village panchayats because as village panchayats they have to bear a lesser burden of duties.

PRIMARY EDUCATION.

With regard to the responsibility that local bodies have to bear in respect of primary education, the evidence collected favours local bodies being rendered completely free from the burden of primary education. The reason is local bodies do not like the present arrangement whereby the responsibility for the administration of primary education rests with the Government while local boards have merely to look to the cost. In this connection it may be noted that according to the present arrangement, 1/3 of the cost of primary education is borne by Local Boards while 2/3 is borne by Government. In the case of municipalities, half the cost is borne by Government.

FRANCHISE PROBLEMS.

Another important question on which the Kale Committee has collected considerable evidence is with regard to franchise. There seems to be an overwhelming opinion in favour of adult franchise. It is very likely that the Committee will agree with this view while making its recommendation. Most of the representatives who gave evidence seem to favour distributive system of voting and urge that distribution should be compulsory.

On the question of administration of local bodies, there seems to be a general feeling that there is favouritism and nepotism on a considerably large scale. The remedies suggested in this connection, it is understood, are that there must be minimum qualification for entrants to local board service and that there should be no confirmation before the officers pass the prescribed tests.

EXTENSION OF POWERS.

Regarding the extension of powers of local bodies, the trend of evidence seems to be that some of the functions of the P. W. D. like responsibility for roads and public buildings may be transferred to local bodies. It is also recommended that dispensaries and hospitals may be freed from central control.

'NIRA' TO BE SOLD IN SEALED BOTTLES

One of the schemes under the consideration of the Government which may relieve to a great extent the unemployment of toddy tappers in Bombay and suburbs after Aug. 1 is the sale of "nira" or fresh, unfermented toddy in sealed bottles. If the scheme is adopted, Bombay may have hundreds of shops selling this refreshing beverage which, according to medical authorities, is conducive to health.

BOMBAY M. L. A.'S REFUSED ENTRY

Nizam's Executive Council's Reply

BOMBAY, May 26.

The "United Press" understands that Messrs. S. L. Karandikar, Vamanrao Mukadam and a few more prominent members of the Bombay Legislative Assembly have been refused permission to enter Hyderabad (Dn.) by the Nizam's State.

They had intimated the Executive Council of the Nizam's State of their intention to visit the state for the purpose of studying the plight of Hindus in the State.

In the course of a reply the Executive Council have refused them permission to enter the State on the plea that their visit under the present conditions was undesirable

It will be recalled that quite recently Shree Sankaracharya, Head of a section of Hindus was allowed to enter the State as a State guest.—United Press.

ARRESTS AT SHOLAPUR

BOMBAY, May 26.

The Publicity Officer of the Arya Satyagraha Samiti, Sholapur, wires to the "United Press" that about half a dozen persons were arrested to-day for breach of the curfew order. The policemen have also arrested about 40 others in connection with the assaults.

The grain merchants of Sholapur assembled in a meeting to-day and passed resolutions condemning the outbreak of violence in the city and expressing sympathy with the families of the bereaved.

The meeting requested the Bombay Government to appoint a committee to inquire into the happenings at Sholapur, and also authorised the president of the meeting and Mr. Antrolikar, M.L.A. to wait on the Home Minister of Bombay and explain to him the real situation at Sholapur.—United Press.

CONSCRIPTION BILL PUBLISHED

Special Powers To Ministry Of Supplies: Three Years' Duration

LONDON, May 25.

Powers such as would be acquired by the Minister of Munitions in war time will be assumed by Mr. Leslie Burgin under the Ministry of Supply Bill, the text of which is published to-night.

For three years, the Minister is also empowered to order that Government contracts be given priority, requisition output, if priority orders are not carried out, —commandeer available storage, examine contractors' records and fix prices, and require protection of essential plant.

At the end of three years, Powers may be extended from year to year with the authority of Parliament. These special powers will be in reserve as it is held, preparation for defence of the country has hitherto been carried through with the willing co-operation of industry and the hope is expressed that co-operation will continue.

Powers do not in any way involve conscription of labour. The Bill applies to Northern Ireland. —Reuter.

Royal Assent To Conscription Bill

LONDON, May 26.

The Military Training Bill received Royal Assent, which was given in the name of the Council of State acting during the King's absence.—Reuter.

NAZI IN AMERICA ON 12 CHARGES

Theft Of 14,000 Dollars

NEW YORK, May 26.

Herr Fritz Kuhn, leader of a pro-Nazi German-American organisation, has been arrested on charges of grand larceny and forgery. An official announcement states that the indictment contains twelve counts based on an alleged theft of fourteen thousand dollars.—Reuter

STRUGGLE FOR UNITED IRELAND

Organisations To Be Set Up In All Countries

DUBLIN, May 26.

Mr. De Valera announced that in every country where a substantial number of Irish people lived, an organisation was being formed to direct attention to the wrong of the partition of Ireland and take appropriate action in the press for the purpose of ending that wrong.

New organisations were being formed in Britain, United States, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. Mr. De Valera added time is nothing else would remove the partition, but while it lasted good relations which should exist between Ireland and England could never be established.—Reuter.

BRITISHERS OPPOSE BARTER OF COTTON FOR RUBBER

LONDON: May 26.

The Rubber Trade Association of London at a special meeting emphatically protested against the American proposals for barter of cotton for rubber, according to the "Financial Times."

The speakers contended that such a plan would sound the death-knell of the international regulation scheme. The meeting resolved to make contact with other similar associations with a view to make a joint protest to Government.—Reuter.

British Women's Offer For National Service

LONDON, May 25.

The postponement of calling up agricultural workers, men engaged in fishing industry and Anthracite miners to the Militia until November was announced by the Minister of Labour in the House of Commons.

He also announced that a million and a half had volunteered for national service upto May 20 of which 450,000 were women.—Reuter.

WARSAW, May 25.—It is denied that Poland and Rumania have decided to enlarge the scope of their alliance or have held technical consultations towards that end.—Reuter.

'Galatea' Wins The Oaks

'Whitefox' And 'Superbe' Secure Places At Epsom

LONDON, May 26.

The Oaks run at Epsom over a distance of one mile four furlongs resulted as follows:—

GALATEA	**1**
WHITEFOX	**2**
SUPERBE	**3**

Twenty-one ran. Won by head, three lengths separated second and third. Winner was trained by Lawson.

Betting:—10 to 11 Galatea; 9 to 1 Whitefox and 20 to 1 Superbe. Place betting was proportionate.

The runners were identical with probables.

FAVOURABLE WEATHER

At Epsom the weather conditions could not have been more favourable for the concluding stage of the summer meeting. There was another large attendance for the ladies' classic, the Oaks. The going was firm and good. There was heavy support for the American-owned 'Galatea'. The only British fillly Olein and the French filly Whitefox were seriously backed to beat her.

WON BY A HEAD

Eallathie and Kittyfrisk went slowly into stride. Titbit led from Olein. Aurora, Ella, Wilhelmina, Sugarcandy and Galatea. On reaching the top of the hill Aurora led from Olein, Titbit and Eallathie, coming down hill Olein came to the front followed by Ella, Aurora, Galatea, Titbit and Arsenal. Approaching the Tattenham corner the order was Olein, Ella, Galatea, Kittyfrisk and Arsenal. Galatea was moving up strongly. On reaching the straight, Galatea raced past Olein and Ella and began to draw away followed by Sonsiewench, Superbe, Whitefox and Arsenal. Galatea showed signs of weakening 200 yds. from finish and Whitefox on the rails looked like catching up. Galatea just scraped home by a head.

Sonsiewench was fourth, Arsenal fifth, Soft Impeachment sixth, Royal Truce seventh, Sugar Kandy eighth, Bonaroba ninth, Roman Night tenth and Castilian Princess last.

Time two minutes forty and two-fifths seconds. Curtain Call slipped up unseating rider at Tattenham Corner. The horse and jockey Nevett were both unhurt.

Jones, Galatea's jockey said if he had anything to race with him he would have won easier. He was never in danger of defeat in any case.

Elliot, Whitefox's jockey said the fall of Curtaincall caused him to lose three lengths. Accordingly he thought it was rather unlucky though the winner probably pulled out a little more than had been necessary.—Reuter.

Queen Mary's Birthday

LONDON, May 26.

Queen Mary who is celebrating her seventy-second birthday today passed a good night and will spend a quiet day, confined in her room at Marlborough House.

Birthday greetings from all over the world are pouring in to Marlborough House. A family luncheon party, which is usually a chief feature of her anniversary celebrations was cancelled. Members of the Royal Family called personally and sent message to her. There was a long cable from Their Majesties at Canada.—Reuter.

Br. Amateur Golf Championship

LONDON, May 26

At Hoylake in British Amateur Golf championship, semi-final a Kyle Walker Cup player, beat American, W. Holt two and one. A Duncan, Welsh Champion, beat C. Stove three and two.—Reuter

World, Cruiser-weight Fight Postponed

LONDON, May 26

Harvey-McAvoy world Cruiserweight Championship fight, which is fixed for June 22 has now been postponed, as McAvoy has a boil on the right side.—Reuter

Davis Cup Doubles

WIMBLEDON, May 26

In Davis Cup doubles Hare and Wilde (Great Britain) beat Petra and Pellizza (France) 6-3, 6-3, 3-6, 4-6, 6-3.—Reuter

Kyle Beats Favourite

LONDON, May 26.

At Hoylake in sixth round A Kyle (Walker Cup player) beat favourdite Bruen one up; Duncan beat Chapman five and three. Holt beat Thom three and two. Bruen was one up at the ninth.—Reuter.

RAJEN BABU ON ANTI-WAR RESOLUTION

Congress President's Reply To Ranchi Civic Address

RANCHI, May 26.

Replying to the several addresses of welcome presented to him to-night at a public meeting, Dr. Rajendra Prasad referred to the intricacies of the international situation and explained the Congress decision regarding non-participation in wars started without the consent of the people.

ONLY REMEDY

Regarding the Hindu-Muslim and Shia-Sunni disagreements and internal dissensions in the Congress he said that the only remedy for all these were trust and truth. He stressed the belief that all these disputes would disappear in the course of time.

The Congress President spoke at length regarding the principles underlying the Charka and Khadi.

Referring to the points raised by the address presented by the Municipal Commissioners in Ranchi regarding the need of a Town Hall, Dr. Rajendra Prasad expressed himself against the idea of a Town Hall, since the times were advancing towards open air meetings, and even Congress sessions might be held in open air.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad stressed the need of the spread of primary education and hoped that an Education Re-organisation Committee would suggest radical improvements for the education of children.

CONGRESS VENUE

He stated that the main consideration in selecting Ramgarh for the Congress session was the extreme desire of the people of this part of the Province and also because no Congress Session had been held in this part.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad hoisted the Tri-colour in the Gait Park. —A.P.

MAJESTIES DRIVE IN OPEN CAR IN DRIZZLING RAIN

REGINA, May 26.

There was a renewal of warm Canadian welcome as Their Majesties drove through the city in an open car despite drizzling rain.

Two hours before arrival here the royal train stopped near Broadview and Their Majesties, accompanied by attendants, enjoyed a brisk walk along the permanent way.

Replying to the address of welcome presented by the Premier, Mr. Patterson, the King said that the people of Sasketchewan were making a significant contribution to the welfare of the British Commonwealth of Nations. His Majesty added: "By achieving unity through their common Canadian citizenship men of diverse races were proving the advantage of the way of life based on mutual tolerance and democratic institutions.—Reuter.

UKRAINIANS CHEER MAJESTIES

MOOSEJAW, May 26.

Ukranians and Chinese national costumes were among the thousands who cheered Their Majesties as they drove along the main street illuminated by fairy lights. Parties of young people made a carnival of the occasion. After half an hour Their Majesties left for Calgary where they are due at 22/00 G.M.T.—Reuter.

KING GETS TITLE OF "RAIN-MAKER"

MOOSEJAW, May 26

The title "George the Rain-Maker" was given to the King by the people of Saskatchewan. They were suffering from depression and drought for several years but just before Their Majesties arrival the drought was relieved by the heaviest rainfall for years.—Reuter.

American Minister's Welcome To Majesties

OTTAWA, May 25.

The United States Minister, Mr. Roper, referring to Their Majesties visit to Canada and the United States said: "It may be that the friendly act will touch the people everywhere in a far-reaching manner and prompt the way to lasting peace." He added that Their Majesties would not find any fortifications when they crossed the border of the United States nor any fortification in American hearts against Britains and her rulers.—Reuter.

WASHINGTON, May 26.

President Roosevelt signed the **773 million dollar Naval Appropriation Bill to-day.—Reuter.**

Dr. Schacht's Mission Exposed

India Will Have No Truck With Hands Reeking With Blood

NEW DELHI, May 26

"Dr. Schacht broke his silence since his landing in India by explaining to a Madras audience that he came to India not only for sightseeing, but also to study this country's future possibilities", says the "Hindustan Times" today in a leader.

Dr. Schacht also, it seems, wanted to learn whether it would be possible for Indian people to co-operate with Germany. Dr. Schacht would have been nearer to truth, if he had added he came here to discover what would be our attitude in the event of an Euorpean war, and whether in our anxiety to throw off the British yoke, we would be prepared to accept German help.

Dr. Schacht, one of the ablest Germans is unlikely to be under any illusion as to the response likely to be evoked in India by Nazi propaganda.

INDIA KNOWS IT TOO WELL

India has abundant evidence since Herr Hitler came into power of the Nazi methods, and she has expressed detestation of them in no measured terms. She will betray all her spiritual heritage, if she accepts help from hands reeking with blood and violence. To those attracted by the idea of winning freedof with whatever assistance we can get from whatever quarter we would point out that freedom must be won by India by her own strength. Freedom secured with the help of such dubious friends are not worth purchasing. Nazism is based on exploitation of weaker peoples for the benefit of Germany. India does not want freedom from British Imperialism, merely to become a victim of the Nazi tyranny. The German Jews' fate should warn us what would befall us, in the event of our establishing friendly relations with Germany.

KEEP GERMANY AT ARM'S LENGTH

Dr. Schacht also mentioned commercial co-operation with India. Reports of the Indian Trade Commissioner in Hamburg tell the story of the ruthless ways by which Nazis have ruined our large export trade with Germany. will-informed Indian businessmen know that the system of barter and blocked marks developed under Dr. Schacht's inspiration is nothing more than what Germany wants from others and refusing to pay for it in cash or in goods which others want, but paying in surplus goods for which Germany has no use. Germany has always tried to establish political domination over countries brought under her economic control by methods discovered and perfected by Dr. Schacht.

The safest policy in dealing with those ready to indulge in every form of sharp practice is to keep them at arm's length.—A. P.

BRITAIN ALIVE AND KICKING

Very Much In Picture In Automobile Market

"England is the leading supplier of motor cars to India, the number of sales of English cars for several years now having been consistently more than those from Canada or U.S.A." says Mr. D. E. Gough, representative in India for the society of Motor Manufacturers and traders Ltd., London, in a press statement commenting on the German economic periodicals 'Wirtschafdienst' which declared that 'Indian automobile market is still completely neglected by England.'

Mr. Gough says that the statement in the 'Wirtschafdienst' is entirely incorrect and adds: "As regards motor trucks and buses, while giving way to U.S.A. and Canada in numbers of vehicles sold, the United Kingdom has built up a reputation in this country for the supply of the heavier duty types of petrol and diesel vehicles of the highest class.

"Far from neglecting the Indian automobile market" Mr. Gough declares 23 "British Motor Vehicle Manufacturers maintain factory representatives resident in India. No other country can boast of so many. In addition, the Society of Motor Manufacturers and traders Ltd., the organisation representing the whole motor trade of the United Kingdom, maintains a branch office in India.

"To realise the difficulties with which the British motor trade has had to contend, it is well to recall that, just when the industry was making fine progress at home and abroad the war broke out and motor factories were turned over to munitions. For all practical purposes, the output of both private and commercial vehicles ceased, on the other hand, the American motor industry was allowed to develop normally during the war years. It received a free gift of all the export markets and became firmly entrenched in them. It was a tremendously difficult job to regain the ground lost during the war, but the British factories tackled the problem systematically. As a result, the value of the British exports of motor vehicles, spares and accessories has risen over £20,000,000 per annum, which is more in percentage of total output than America, Germany or Italy can boast of exporting. India takes its fair share."—A. P.

Berlin Preparations For Prince Paul's Visit

BERLIN, May 26

It is announced the visit of Prince and Princess Paul of Yugoslavia beginning on June 1 will last a week, during which they will be lavishly entertained by Herr Hitler, Dr. Goebbels, Herr Von Ribbentrop and Field Marshal Goering individually.—Reuter.

LABOUR AMENDMENT TO BUDGET BILL DEFEATED

LONDON, May 26.

In the House of Commons the Labour Amendment to reject the Budget Bill was defeated by 228 votes to 110. The Bill was read a second time.—Reuter.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

Court Of Arbitration Appointed

A Court of Industrial Arbitration has been constituted by the Government of Bombay in pursuance of Section 24 of the Bombay Industrial Disputes Act of 1938.

The Court comprises Mr. Justice H. V. Divatia, President, Mr. G. S. Rajadhyksha, I.C.S., District Judge of Ahmedabad, and Mr. B. K. Dalvi, District Judge of Sholapur.

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The Ergograph

Barton Junior School at Adelaide, Australia, is believed to be the first school in the world to use an ergograph for testing the staying-powers of its scholars. Masters have noticed that some boys, who seem bright and cheerful and full of energy at the beginning of a lesson, grow listless when about 15 minutes have passed. If a fresh subject is introduced they regain their interest, but after another brief time in which they show eagerness to work, there again appears indifference.

In order that masters may know how best to treat boys of this nature, a machine called an ergograph has been installed. The arm of the person to be tested is strapped in a rest. The second and fourth fingers are inserted in a short length of pipe to arrest muscular movement, and the index finger is used to pull a string to which is attached a weight of between 5lb. and 7lb. It also gives a corresponding move to a carriage which has a recording pencil attached. The pencil thus makes a graph on a cylinder which is rotated by a small motor, all the weight-lifting being done to the time of a metronome.

It is firmly believed that the graphs give a true record of a boy's staying power, and that they will prove valuable in assisting teachers in preparing courses for their students, and to parents when choosing a career for their children.

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LET PLENARY SESSION DECIDE ISSUE

Rajkot "Leftists" Declare For Boycott Of Virawala Committee

(From Our Correspondent)
RAJKOT, May 25.

Messrs. Vrajlal Shukla and others, Left leaders of Rajkot, have issued the following statement to the press in connection with the State's announcement of the Reforms Committee and Gandhiji's attitude towards it:—

"We have carefully studied the Thakore Saheb's announcement of the personnel of the Reforms Committee and subsequent events. Our fears have unfortunately proved quite true and Gandhiji's renunciation of the Gwyer Award has resulted in strengthening the hands of autocracy and reaction This has emboldened them to foist their "anti-people" and "pro-Virawala" Committee upon people of Rajkot. Change of heart of Mr. Virawala is as far off as before; nay it has been abundantly proved by day-to-day events that to talk of Mr. Virawala's conversion is nothing short of self-deception. Just as this Committee is a creature of Durbar Virawala which dares not speak or even dream of things which are not approved by him, as also its report will be his creation.

People of Rajkot who have fought bravely and struggled for the achievement of Responsible Government and have made numerous sacrifices, cannot have anything to do with this Virawala Committee .A committee to be acceptable to the people of Rajkot must be approved by their Parishad. To co-operate with this Committee is to co-operate in forging our own chains. We can never be a party to this. The only honourable course open to the people of Rajkot is that of boycotting this anti-Parishad and "pro-Virawala" Committee in every respect.

We honestly believe, and frankly say, that Mahatmaji's advice to the people to co-operate with this Committee is fraught with grave dangers and will ultimately result in great demoralisation and utter disintegration. If we are not going to invite complete ruin. and humiliation, the present futile line of wooing Durbar Virawala and thereby trying to obtain his converston, must be immediately abandoned.

The only solution of the present complicated and worsening situation, it seems to us, is to convene the second session of the Parishad and that too, immediately. Let the people themselves decide whether they want to boycott this Committee or to co-operate with it. The verdict of the Parishad will be binding on all—on the Leftists as well as the Rightists. We solemnly declare that, to us, Parishad's considered majority opinion will be the final word.

Not only this but other important issues also require immediate attention. We are still far, far away from the Responsible Government that is our goal. We shall have to find out ways and means to proceed further in this direction and build public opinion anew. We have to build our organisation—the Parishad—on such a sound and solid basis as to make it a strong weapon for achieving Responsible Government. In the grave and critical moments as such as these it is really a pity that more or less complete anarchy should prevail in the popular camp. Therefore, once more, we appeal to our co-workers, Sjt. Dhaber and others to move immediately in this direction and make arrangements for convening the second session of the Parishad.

According to the report current here, Hindus and others, for fear of losing their lives, refuse to appear as witnesses in the open trial.

DHRANGADRA ALKALI WORKS

Starts Manufacture Under New Management

(From Our Correspondent)
RAJKOT (By Mail).

Shree Dhrangadra Alkali Works the only one of its kind in India. which remained closed for a number of years, has passed into the hands of the Dhrangadra Chemical Works and Company recently together with the building and 205 acres of lands, including the Railway section. It has now resumed the manufacture of the bio-products of Salt, magnesia, etc.

BHAVNAGAR AUTHORITIES BUSY

From the reports of inquiry into the recent murders of 2 Parishad volunteers and injuries to half a dozen others by the goondas it is gathered that the State authorities are in correspondence with several local authorities and bodies to trace the hidden hand behind the clash which occurred on the very day of the Bhavnagar Parishad session, when Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the president-elect was taken in a huge procession. The Kathiawar Muslim League and Rajkot Muslim Council have telegraphically requested the Maharajah of Bhavnagar to appoint an impartial inquiry, to release Muslims forthwith and to hand over the Nagina Mosque to the State Muslims.

DEATH OF SATYAGRAHI PRISONERS

Nizam Govt. Refute Allegations

(From Our Correspondent.)
HYDERABAD (Dn.), (By Mail.)

Dispelling certain allegations made against the Nizam's Government and the Jail Administration regarding the death of certain Satyagrahis in the jails the following Press Note has been issued by the Government:—

"The attention of His Exalted Highness' Government has been drawn to an appeal emanating from the Arya Samaj Headquarters in Sholapur for the observance of a Hyderabad Martyrs' Day. In support of the appeal, a list is given of five Satyagrahi prisoners who died between the 1st of April and 3rd May. The day selected is the same as that previously selected by the Indian National Congress for observance of Political Prisoners' Day. Government has already dealt in detail with these cases by two Communiques issued on the 5th and 6th May.

The following facts regarding these five cases are again brought to the notice of the public.

An Aryasamaj Satyagrahi prisoner by name Permanand died on the 1st April in the Mental Hospital of natural causes as certified by the mental specialist who has further certified that there were no marks of injury on the body. An instance of false propaganda in this connection is the phototograph published recently in a newspaper ("Hindusthan Standard") with the statement that Permanand died of injuries received in the course of the disturbance at Tuljapur. Actually, Permanend was never at Tuljapur and the Tuljapur disturbances occurred a week after Permanend's death.

Venkat Rao, another Arya Samaj Satyagrahi prisoner (he is a State Congress prisoner and not an Aryasamajist as stated by the Government in their Press Note) died in Nizamabad Jail of natural causes on the 8th April. The story was circulated that his body was buried, not cremated; actually his body was cremated with all due rites by Arya Samaj prisoners themselves.

Swami Sathyananda, another prisoner, who was suffering from pyrexea, was admitted into the Jail hospital at Hyderabad on April 23 and transferred to the Osmania Hospital on April 26 where he died the next day (27th April) from cardiac failure. He was examined on that morning by the Second Physician who has certified that he did not find any mark of injury on his body. The body was delivered the next day to a representative of the Secretary of the Aryasamaj, who gave a receipt that he took it over in good condition, and it was cremated without any complaint being made to Government. Allegations were however, subsequently made that there were marks of injury on the body.

Vishnu Bhagvanth, yet another prisoner, when admitted to the Hyderabad Jail Hospital on the 24th April was suffering from abdominal trouble and was transferred to the Osmania Hospital on the 30th of that month. On the 1st May (night) he died of cardiac failure. He was examined that morning by the Second Surgeon of the Hospital who has certified that he found no sign of injury on the body. In this case too the body was handed over to the same representative of the Secretary, Aryasamaj, who similarly gave a receipt, that the body was in good condition. Certain gentlemen, however, (M. Hanumanth Rao, M. Narsing Rao and B. Ramkishan Rao) brought to the notice of the Home Secretary later the same evening that there was a small wound on the back of the head though the private medical practitioner to whom the body had been shown could not give a definite opinion regarding the cause of death. A report in writing was asked for by the Home Secretary which was not received until the 4th May and in it the person who had removed the body from the Hospital and who had as stated given a receipt to the effect that the body was in good condition made the statement after giving the receipt, he had pointed out certain bleeding to the Daruga who told him to apply to the Doctor. He did not, however, do this and the body was removed

Another Aryasamaj Satyagrahi prisoner, by name Chotelal died in Gulbarga on the 3rd May. His body was examined by his fellow-prisoners who stated in writing that they did not desire any post-mortem examination as there was nothing suspicious about the death. The Civil Surgeon also certified that he found no marks of injury. Yet, the report is repeated that there were marks of injury on the body. Considering the average jail population and the season of the year, 5 natural deaths over a period of some months give a mortality far below normal. All district jails have whole-time assistant surgeons attached to them.

It may be recalled that certain allegations were made some time ago to the effect that Pandit Narayanswami had been fettered and otherwise ill-treated. When asked in writing Pandit Narayanswami gave a written statement to the effect that these allegations were baseless. In a subsequent statement, Pandit said, "I have never any complaint about beating or ill-treatment to Satyagrahis by the authorities of this jail (Gulbarga). Such rumours are totally unfounded." Similarly, Messrs. Rao (N. K. Rao) and Nandapurkar, prisoners in connection with the State Congress stated when asked "the rumours that the Satyagrahis in this jail (Gulbarga) are being beaten and are receiving barbarous treatment at the hands of the jail staff are quite false.

A SHORT STORY

FORGOTTEN FAME

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

When you're twenty-two and the money's rolling in and every move you make makes newspaper headlines it's easy not to worry about the future. Worse, at that age, under those conditions, you're apt to be scornful of advice from older, wiser heads.

At twenty-two Jake Prince had knocked Patrick Nelson for a row of huckleberry bushes in three rounds. The next day every sports writer in the country began talking about Jake as a possible contender for the heavyweight title. Dan Calvert, Jake's manager, smiled to himself. Dan had been managing prize fighters for twenty years. He knew material when he saw it, and he wondered whether the sports writers knew just how right they were.

But Dan Calvert was in the game not for the love of it or the glory of it or the adulation of the crowds. Dan was a business man. Jake was his investment, and he intended that that investment should pay dividends.

Six months later Jake went up against Bart Peabody, and won by a technical knock-out. Now the sports writers were more sure than ever that the boy was destined to become the world's heavyweight champion. Jake was sure of it, too.

"Sure, sure," Old Nick Webb, his head trainer, said to him, "it's swell now, but, sonny, you got to think of the future. Start laying away. There ain't much a prize fighter can do for a living when he's washed up."

Jake smiled tolerantly. He liked Old Nick, but Old Nick sometimes had funny ideas: "Look, Nick I guess I'll never have to worry much, not with every fight fan in the country practically dying to shake hands with me."

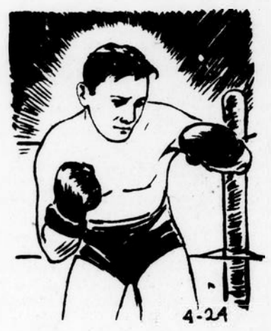
During the next year and a half Jake Prince definitely established himself as the logical contender for the heavyweight title. The papers were finally signed and the big bout was scheduled for July 4th. The sports world was thrilled and expectant. Jake was jubilant. Dan Calvert's eyes narrowed lustfully. This, he figured, would be the biggest gate of his career. He knew his boy would win. He knew it because Tony Ames, the present heavyweight champ, was twenty-eight, and twenty-eight is old for a fighter.

Only Old Nick Webb was worried. Nick had seen this thing, that was happening to Jake, happen to others. Jake had made money. Plenty of money. But he's spent it, too. He had a lot of friends and a big family who needed financial help and he'd helped them freely.

"I'm in," he grinned at Nick. "I'll never have to worry." He glanced down at the newspaper spread out in his lap. A quarter of the front page was devoted to a picture of himself. He knew his picture was appearing on the front pages of every newspaper in the country. "Folks aren't going to forget me. They can't. I'll always be able to make a living."

"Sure, sure," Old Nick said, "for digging ditches all day you could make perhaps dol. 18 a week."

Dan Calvert wasn't surprised at



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the outcome of the big fight. But he was highly satisfied. The gate topped all other previous fights, and the crowd got its money's worth. The fight went six rounds, then Tony Ames went down like a log and stayed down. The crowd cheered itself hoarse and Jake went over and helped Tony to his feet. Tony opened his eyes and grinned at him. "Good work, kid," Tony said. "Now don't be a sucker."

Those words didn't mean a thing in the excitement of that moment. Jake didn't think of them again until eight years later. During those eight years Jake rode high. He beat three contenders for the title and eventually lost to Ivan Reubens, an up and coming young squirt whom the fight world was going mad over.

Jake tried for a comeback, but was knocked out in the second round. Then Dan Calvert dropped him. Jake looked around for another manager and found managers scarce. At first he couldn't believe that he wasn't wanted any more. He became bitter and vindictive and began to scheme revenge.

Six months after his last defeat Jake went into a newspaper office and asked the city editor how much he'd pay for a signed article.

"About what?" asked the editor.

"How to build baby carriages," Jake said sarcastically.

"That's hellishly funny," said the editor. "Run along, I'm busy."

It took Jake another month to realize how cruelly fate had dealt with him. He was broke. Worse, he was forgotten. Nobody wanted him. Nobody cared. He was through. He would get along the best he could.

A year after his defeat by Ivan Reubens Jake got a job in a carnival which paid him dol. 30 a week. Five times a day he stood on a platform and made a speech. Handfuls of spectators listened half attentively, grinned at each other, moved away. The bitterness in Jake's heart grew. He knew that many of these people, two years ago, would have given their all for a few minutes' chat with him. Now he was an object of their scorn.

Then one day a man accosted Jake as he was leaving the tent.

"Hi, kid! Remember me? Look, don't be a sucker. You're only making things worse talking from that platform. You come along with me. I got a job for you working in my gym. That's where you belong. You're worth dol. 5,000 a year to me."

Jake looked at the man. A warmness crept into his heart. This man wasn't offering him charity. This man knew more than anyone else what he had to offer and was willing to pay for it. Once, long ago, Jake had looked into this same face and been told not to be a sucker. The man was Tony Ames, who, of all Jake's fans, hadn't forgotten.

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By BUD FISHER

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WELL, DO YOU OR DON'T YOU WANT IT REMOVED?
LISTEN, DOC! LOOSEN IT UP FOR A BUCK AND A HALF AND I'LL FINISH THE JOB MYSELF!
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DOUGLAS REED

(Continued from Page 6)

spare her mortal body this final indignity. Because she was poor and desperate and jumped into the Danube, or was thrown, must she lie there like that, naked, obscene, having her bits of clothes torn off her. If they had found a coronet embroidered on her shift they would have not let her lie there like that."

All this is part of 'Disgrace Abounding.' It is as much part of it as are Hitler's concentration camps and the dance bars in Prague where "all the young Jews and their partners laughed and did a kind of strut round the room and clapped their hands and patted their knees and cocked their thumbs over their shoulders and shouted "Oi"."

If Douglas Reed is anti-Hitler as is to be seen by the banning of his first book, which was banned by order of Goebbels in Germany, he is equally pungent about the things he has to say about those Jews who have made it possible for Hitler and his kind to come to power. He has no sympathy for those who have wrecked the homes of the middle classes in Europe and now are fleeing to England and France as refugees claiming "Protektion." It is more for the others who have suffered in Europe and who have no Jewish backing that Douglas Reed mourns. There is a beautiful bit when the refugees are leaving the Sudetenland. They were chiefly Socialists and Communists, men whose lives were in peril. "Their women folk were on the platform weeping. They were bound—these refugees—for England and after that somehither, none knew. One of them, only one, was a Jew. You could see them all broken men, not knowing when they would ever return and if they would return at all. Perhaps they would never return. They knew that too, but the solitary Jew among them kept saying amid all the deadly silence: "We'll be back". As the train steams out of the platform, the Jew raises his arm and with fist clenched gives the workers' greeting. It is the international greeting of the Communists. "On his little finger a diamond flashed in the light of the lamps....He was just different."

That is just an impression of Douglas Reed. He has more heavy stuff in his book—the sort of stuff that discusses the new boundaries of Europe. He believes that Hitler will in the end fail, even though for some years he may go from strength to strength. He believes that the undoing of him will be an English-French-Russian-American alliance that will break him. If he should on the other hand side with the Soviets, it is possible that the history of this world will be a sorry one when told in terms of England.

I regard Douglas Reed as one of the great contemporaries of our generation. More than any one man at the moment he seems to matter in the things he says He belongs no more to the staff of the 'Times'. He is a free man, free to write as he likes. It is important that we should hear what he has to say.

Fictitious Interviews

I Interview D. F. Karaka

(BY M. R. A. B.)

It was with great difficulty I located D. F. Karaka. Ringing up the "Chronicle" I learnt that he was out covering the town and it was only after visiting the Cricket Club, Mongini's, Cornaglia's and Green's that I ran him down in the Harbour Bar.

As befits an ex-President of the Oxford Union, he now presides over the Hook and Eye Club, and since he follows its motto "Hook and Eye have a drink with" faithfully, he is eminently well suited for recording the small talk of the big city. I plunged forthwith into the interview.

Q. "Mr. Karaka, you were once President of the Oxford Union?"

D.F.K. (indignantly) "Of course I was. Haven't I said that a hundred times already?

Q. "I have looked up the records of your University for that year and I find that Oxford lost the Boat Race by 3 lengths, Cricket by nearly an innings, Rugger by seven points, Hockey by two goals and Tennis by two matches. Is there any significance in your being made President that year?"

D.F.K. "Certainly not, but I admit that Oxford had become a bit decadent. In fact it was to wake them up and draw attention to their defeats in everything, except the Union of course, that I wrote my first book "The Repulse of Oxford."

Q. "And why did you write your second book?"

D.F.K.) (stiffly) "Young man, you will find on the dust cover that my second book was written by a brilliant young Parsee. Is that not enough justification?"

Q. "Did you write the Dust Cover too?"

D.F.K. (still more stiffly) "I cannot betray publishing secrets."

Q. "Will you betray the secrets of Public Speaking?"

D.F.K "There are no secrets. Say about people in public what you dare not say to them in private and you will be known as a "challenging" speaker. Introduce a few cheap Americanisms which you can get any week out of a borrowed copy of "Esquire" and you are "scintillating". Add a few old wise-cracks suitably Indianised and you are made. You can take it from me that even a complete lack of real humour is no obstacle.'

Q. "So you are a wise-karaka?"

D.F.K. (really annoyed) "Now why didn't I think of that myself? It's so annoying having always to use other people's jokes."

Q. "What is the secret of your success?"

D.F.K. "Making reference about people that nobody, not even the person himself, can understand. This makes people puzzled and so they read all the more to unpuzzle themselves."

Q. "You wrote that you have a horror for vivid shirting. But you yourself set a peasant-blouse fashion on your return from Oxford."

D.F.K. "Where I was the first Indian President of the Union."

Q. "Quite right. But are you not inconsistent?"

D.F.K. "Certainly not. I was not merely aping decadent Chelsea artists. My peasant-blouse was not only adapted from a saree but actually copied from a fine strong black, a rhumba-dancing negro I met in a Montmarte Night Club."

K. "Montmarte? But were you not at Oxford?"

D.F.K. "At both. I was President of the Union at Oxford and there was the Union of the President at Montmarte."

Q. "You were in bed with a bad-eye lately. Did you get that covering the town?"

D.F.K. "Don't be offensive. You young journalists get offensive much too quickly. My bad-eye was a sheer accident. I wrote a whole column about it."

Q. "What did you call it? My Eye Goes West?"

D.F.K. "Not at all funny."

INDORE PUBLIC DISAPPOINTED

Maharaja's Announcement: Praja Mandal's Plan Of Action

INDORE, May 26.

Indore Prajamandal Secretary wires:—

Pursuant to the appeal of the Praja Mandal, all the bazars, excepting only four, were opened and responsible merchants associations have sent wires to Prajamandal regarding lifting of hartal yesterday at about 10 in night.

The Maharaja made another announcement in the Rajwada Chowk stating that he was pleased to find that the people had suspended hartal on his assurance.

The statement ran that the octroi duty on food stuff pulses and firewood has been abolished and on certain others it has been reduced; and four merchants have been released. People numbering, 50,000 who had assembled to hear the announcement were all disappointed. The Maharaja made no mention of the arrests of the Praja Mandal leaders or of the lathi charges and the fast undertaken by five Praja Mandal leaders.

The Praja Mandal is making preparations for further action.

MUSLIM SUPPORT TO ARYA SATYAGRAHA

SIALKOT, May 26.

The view that Islam did not enjoin such restrictions to be imposed on the religion of any community as are enforced in the Nizam's Dominions was expressed by Messrs. Abdulla and M. Abdul Karim, two prominent Muslim leaders, while speaking at a public meeting here.

In the course of their speeches they gave their emphatic support to the present Satyagraha of the Aryas in Hyderabad (Dn.) and declared that the Aryas should put forth their best efforts in the struggle against the repressive policy of the Nizam.—United Press.

93 SHIAS ARRESTED

LUCKNOW, May 26.

Ninety-three Sias courted arrested to-day in connection with the Tabarra agitation.—United Press.

NEED FOR PLANNED COMMUNICATIONS

Every Village Must Be Within Close Proximity Of Some Public Road

The necessity of planning to avoid waste and overlapping was stressed by Mr. G. R. Vartak of Satara, while addressing the Institution of Engineers (India) on Friday, evening at Kent House on Rural Communications and their Planning.

Mr. T. R. S. Kynnersely, Chairman of the institution presided.

Profusely illustrating his lecture with, charts and statistics Mr. Vartak said:

"Villages have been in existence in their present form for a very long period dating as far back as before the Christian era, but the question of rural communications and their necessity are a comparatively recent problem Villages in those old days were almost self-contained units.

Existing means of communications show that the needs of villagers are not even partially met with as yet. For the whole of Bombay, Presidency, the figures of population density, road milage per 100 sq. miles and per 100,000 population are 178.6, 25.3 and 140 respectively, whereas similar figures in United States of America are 31.5, 80 and 2550 respectively.

EXAMPLE OF SATARA.

Scrutinizing the existing communication facilities in Satara District, the lecturer pointed out that out of the total number of 1300 villages and an equal number of hamlets, having a rural population of 10.62 lakhs only about 525 villages having a population of 6 lakhs and some sort of road, fairly well maintained, within about 2 miles distance. This showed that nearly 40 per cent of the villages and 56 per cent of the population only had road facilities worth the name.

PAROCHIAL INTEREST DOMINATES.

The work of providing communications in rural areas appears to be mainly the duty of Local Boards; but these bodies depending for their policy on the vote of a majority of their members have generally individual member's views reflected in their policy. Members are not trained to view the requirements of the District as a whole as being more important, than those of their individual villages, and so local interest plays a large part in such selections. This results in improper selection. There is also no authoritative scheme from which members could choose their proposals, even if they wished. Regular planning is thus very essential.

GOVT. POLICY CRITICISED.

The policy of providing village approach roads as adopted by Government, appeared to the lecturer an unsuitable policy, as it provided greater facilities to those who had some, leaving aside those who had no such facilities so far, though the latter form a large bulk of the population. This policy has further created a belief that villagers were not responsible for keeping up and improving roads within their villages or the small lengths of approaches. It is impossible for any Government or District Board to improve and maintain the innumerable lengths of small approach roads, leading to fields or hamlets and surrounding villages from almost each village. A net work of roads must be so planned that every village is within close proximity of some public road, say a distance of 2 miles being considered as a maximum allowable length; and that no village of about 1000 population should be beyond a few furlongs of a good road. There are different agencies doing work of rural communications viz. Government P. W. D. District Boards, Village Improvement Committees, Municipalities Village Panchayats and District Committees, and each has a different view point of tackling the question. There is no set scheme planned out to guide all these agencies and to enable them to select works therefrom.

Government must have such schemes made up for each District and a technical body like the Institute of Engineers must help Government in forming such schemes. Boards and other agencies interested in rural development must then follow these approved schemes without deviations. Such schemes can be worked out with the help of experts having knowledge of the needs of the District, the agricultural produce of the areas involved, the marketing centres and the population demanding communication facilities. Without such well considered schemes, it is likely that works once done will have to be left out without repairs either on account of unsuitable selection or neglect shown by the bodies responsible for their upkeep. After road lines requiring development in a District area fixed, the roads should be classified according to their prospective importance and the cost of improvement should then be worked out. This will ensure that every rupee spent was in the right direction.

The question of having approach roads should be left to village institutions like Village Panchayats, but there also they must get proper technical advice which they must be required to follow. Government or Boards should only help such institutions by Grants in fitting cases.

Dr. V. K. R. V. Rao, Secretary of the Provincial Industrial Planning Committee, who was present opined that a large portion of villages in the Presidency were untouched either by road or rail. The work done by the lecturer and his method of approach were very useful to his committee.

Mr. Kynnersely suggested that the indirect method of safety of roads through adoptation of pneumatic tyres should be considered.

Inquiry Into Attack On Sardar Patel's Procession

BHAVNAGAR STATE APPOINTS SPECIAL OFFICER

(From Our Correspondent).

BHAVNAGAR, May 26.

Mr. Chhelshanker Dave has been appointed as a special officer to investigate into the attack on Sardar Patel's procession. He had conducted the inquiry into the Veraval tragedy some years back in Junagadh State.

An application was filed before the Chief Judge, Mr. Trivedi, by counsel of the arrested Muslims. The court heard counsel and decision will be given to-morrow. The Muslims were allowed to offer Nimaz at Nagina Mazid.

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Mukundrao Lallubhai of Umrala Vahivatdar Office has been transferred to Bhavnagar as Deputy Vahivatdar.

Mr. Vallabhdas Patel of Kundla Court has been appointed as Special Civil Judge from June 16, 1939 and he will continue upto December 31, 1939 and will decide all the cases in arrears. Mr. Unvala will work as Special Magistrate for the recent riot cases.

EDITOR'S DAUGHTER WEDS

The marriage of Shreemati Pushkaraben, the daughter of the editor of 'Kaumoodi,' Sjt. Moolshanker Somnath with Mr. Vasant Kumar Durgaprasad, the grandson of late Vaidraj Vishvanath Vithalji of Morvi took place to-day when the Diwan, Mr. Anantrai Pattani, among others was present.

A public meeting of Hindus was held at Samosaran Vanda. Messrs. Shamaldas Gandhi, Chhotalal Shah, Ratilal Joshi, Motichand Kapadia addressed the meeting.

Kathiawar Political Conference Executive

(From Our Correspondent).

RAJKOT, May 26.

The Working Committee of the Kathiawar Political Conference is meeting here at Anandbhuvan on 30th at 4-30 p.m.

TWO YEARS R. I. FOR 150 SATYAGRAHIS

SHOLAPUR, May 26

Swami Brahmanand and 148 Arya "Satyagrahis" were awarded two years' rigorous imprisonment in aggregate by Mr. Bashiruddin Ahmed, District Magistrate, Gulbarga, yesterday. The trial was conducted in the Central Jail.

The accused arrived at Gulbarga on the night of May 22 and were arrested next morning and convicted on three counts.

The "Jatha" of 43 "Satyagrahis" led by Dr. Prem Shankar, which was arrested on May 23, was sentenced to one year's rigorous imprisonment each by the Additional District Magistrate of Gulbarga. The same magistrate awarded one year's simple imprisonment to Swami Hariharanand aged 70 in view of his old age, and six months' imprisonment to Chandrabhan of the same "Jatha", as he is ill.

Two hundred Arya prisoners out of nearly 1,200 in the Gulbarga Central Jail have been transferred in eight lorries to the Hyderabad Central Jail. The Transferred include Mr. Shesha Rao Vakil of Ahmedpur, a prominent Arya Samajist of the State.—United Press.

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Film Fare For The Week

News-reelers As Heroes

"Sharpshooters", Test Action Film At Regal

The Camera Dare-devils get off to an auspicious start at the Regal Theatre, where their first exciting assignment, "Sharpshooters", is flashed on the screen. As the title implies, the heroes are ace newsreel photographers, and that the life of a newsfeel cameraman is just one exciting situation after another is discovered as the film unfolds. This is the first picture in a new 20th Century—Fox series, and it is evident that the producers have opened a field that is rich in entertainment values. Brian Donlevy and Wally Vernon are idealy cast as the two devil-may-care newsreel photographers, who risk their necks for the thrill of it. They're ready at a moment's notice to take their lives in their hands or may be a girl in their arms.

Lynn Bari is featured in the leading feminine role as the girl who figures prominently in the excitement which involves Brian and Wally. Other members of the strong cast are John King, Douglas Dumbrille, C. Henry Gordon and Sidney Blackmer.

The adventures of "The Camera Dare-devils" are woven into a story that embodies all the essential elements of fast action, suspense, comedy and romance.

As the picture opens, Brian and Wally are in the midst of a melee with the authorities, who try to confiscate exclusive shots the cameramen have just made of a monarch's assassination. A clever ruse wins them the scoop and they are immediately assigned to cover the coronation of the new King. Brian, enroute to his new assignment, meets Lynn Brian on a plane. In a one-sided flirtation with Lynn he finds she is governess to the new king-to-be. At their destination through a case of mistaken identity, he learns of a plot to murder the young prince. With danger their business, and business swell, Brian and Wally are thrust into the thick of a conspiracy that provides a real test of their resourcefulness and courage. "Sharpshooters" delivers a full quota of conventional spine-tingling thrills and dynamite action as Brian and Wally fight and scheme their way in and out of trouble. The romantic interest is supplied by Lynn Bari with Brian trying to muscle in on her romance with the young prince's uncle. Comedy is contributed by Vernon. The excitement mounts to a blazing climax as Brian and Wally grind their camera under machine gun and rifle fire from the conspirator's soldiers and finally, with the aid of their sound truck and a broadcast appeal to the people, outwit the plotters.

ADOLPHE MENJOU IN "GOLDEN BOY"

Barbara Stanwyck In Feminine Lead

Adolphe Menjou is the second prominent player to join the cast now being assembled by Columbia for the picturization of the successful Broadway stage play, "Golden Boy", by Chifford Odets (known in America as the Shakespeare of Marxists).

Menjou will portray the role of Tom Moody, the dynamic sports world figure and prize fight manager. He is one of the key figures in the turbulent career of Golden Boy, an artistic young man who moulds his hands into battering rams in his frenzy to attain quick fame and fortune.

While the search for a player to enact the leading role of Golden Boy is nearing its end, preparations are being made by the studio to start prdduction under the direction of Rouben Mamoulian.

Barbara Stanwyck was signed last week to play the feminine lead. The characterization of Lorna Moon is said to be a prize part for which many of Hollywood's leading personalities competed.

The screenplay has been completed by Lewis Meltzer and Daniel Taradash, and production will be under the supervision of William Perlberg.

A scene from "Sharpshooters," a film about adventurous news-reel men, at Regal.

Isa Miranda and Ray Milland in a scene from "Hotel Imperial" at Eros this week.

DEBUT OF ISA MIRANDA

"Hotel Imperial" At Eros

Many a film has been produced with the background of war-time Europe. "Hotel Imperial" which has come to Eros once again recaptures that tense atmosphere of espionage, counter-espionage, court martials and panic. It provided a dramatic role for the Hollywood debut of Isa Miranda, a striking new personality who is expected to hit the high spots in this, her very first appearance. Opposite her is Rey Milland a young man of considerable talent who is already familiar to a large number of fans.

In gripping and exciting fashion "Hotel Imperial" tells of the havoc wrought by war on the intimate human relationships of men and women. It is 1916 during the Galician campaign. Into the Baroque splendour of the Hotel Imperial march strange guests. First it is in the hands of the invaders, then recaptured.

To discover the man responsible for the downfall and death of her sister, Anna has become a chambermaid in the hotel and at first suspects Ray Milland, an Austrian officer, who assumes the disguise of a waiter to avoid capture. Later she discovers her mistake, but the intervention of a spy provides a new clue. She learns the spy's secret and warns the Austrian troops of an enemy plot. Anna is captured and prepares to face a firing squad but rescue is at hand. While Lieut. Nemassy and Anna make their plans for the future the staff of the Hotel Imperial are once again dressing the hotel as a patriotic Austrian establishment.

One of the features of the film is the appearance of Don Cossacks, the famous singer, for the first time since "Maytime".

BIG LINE—UP AT BROADWAY

Six Warners Film Revived

The Broadway, Dadar is reviving this week six hits of the past. Each of these films were considered among the best on the Warner programmes for the particular seasons.

On Saturday and Sunday will be shown Shakespeare's great classic "A Midsummer Night's Dream". Produced by Max Reinhardt, it was acclaimed a film masterpiece, with an all-star- cast. It is a gorgeously fantastic production and art in its finest sense.

Monday will be screened "Anthony Adverse" based on Harvey Allen's best and biggest selling novel. "Anthony Adverse" is played by Fredric March while Olivia De Havilland and a strong cast capably portray other important characters. The film is outstanding entertainment.

"The Charge Of The Light Brigade" Tennyson's poem filmed on a spectacular scale with Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland is the film shown on Tuesday.

Paul Muni's first great picture "I Am A Fugitive From A Chain Gang" will be shown on Wednesday. This is the biography of an American citizen sentenced to prison for a crime he did not commit and shows his sensational scapes. Muni's portrayal ranks with his best.

Highly humorous complications "It's Love I'm After" will be shown on Thursday with Bette Davis, Leslie Howard and Olivia De Havilland bring a new kind of love to the screen. Farcical complications pile up the proceedings are hilarious with plenty of down-to-earth comedy up to the final scene.

Friday's presentation is "Captain Blood", the Rafael Sabastini adventure classic which gave the screen Errol Flynn and Olivia de Havilland the two of the most popular stars of today. The film is lavish and spectacular.

FRANCISKA GAAL who appears in "The Girl Downstairs," at Excelsior.

FOR CANDID CAMERA FIENDS

Regal Management Announce Prizes

In connection with the film "Sharpshooters" the Regal are organising a simple photographic contest Any amateur Camera enthusiast who sends in a candid photograph resembling very closely any scene or incident from the film will be awarded the prize of a K. W. Reflex-Box Camera kindly presented by M/S Photo Cine Sound Agencies Ltd. The photograph to be submitted should be accompanied by a counterfoil of either a Rs. 2-4 or Rs. 1-2 class ticket. Entries close on June 9.

Great Big 'Short'

And An Insipid Feature Film At Metro

(By Our Film Critic)

A fine film is being shown at Metro this week. No, I do not mean "Idiot's Delight" (which falls far short of expectations) but a very short "short," hardly a thousand feet, depicting a chapter in the life of Alfred Nobel, the donor of the famous Peace Prizes. For purposeful brevity and for sheer human appeal, the film has had few equals among such biographical "shorts." It shows how much an intelligent and imaginative scenarist and a competent director can say even in such a brief film. The scientific passion of the inventor of dynamite, his rise to fame, the use of his invention for mass slaughter, the highly dramatic and pathetic scene where the mother of a victim of war takes him to the hospital, the realization of the havoc that he has unwittingly caused and the final decision to leave all his life's earnings to the cause of Peace—these are all wonderfully depicted.

The M. G. M. studios have been producing recently some most excellent. "Shorts" about such notable scientific subjects as the invention of anaesthesia, Pasteur's discovery of the cure for rabies, etc. But the story of Nobel, with its inherent message of Peace, is the most significant subject they have so far touched.

"IDIOT'S DELIGHT," INDEED!

So successful is the "short" about Nobel, that after it "Idiot's Delight" (which also purports to propagate Peace) seems insipid. They both aim at denunciation of war-mongering but where the shorter film is effectively brief and pointed, the full-length picture is diffused and diffident. Indeed, so profusely has the Robert E. Sherwood play been sugar-coated with Hollywood romance that the original motive is entirely lost. It is only after eight reels of song and dance and burlesque and mind-reading sequences that the anti-war motif emerges for a few moments when a pacifist is shot and Irene (Norma Shearer) tells a few home truths to the munitions merchant (Edward Arnold), denouncing him as a war-monger. Then the heck-projection aeroplanes start bombing the town, the walls of the hotel crumble to dust. the earth is shaken, window-panes shattered—but Clark and Norma, immaculate as ever, are seen blissfully busy kissing each other. O, Ye, Gods of Hollywood! Must you pander to the box-office to pack a pacifist play with two dozen Clark Gable kisses?

The attitude of the Director, Clarence Brown, to this picture is aptly illustrated by the following paragraph reproduced from publicity material supplied by M.G.M.

Clark Gable kissed four girls sixteen times in the first scene of "Idiot's Delight," which caused Director Clarence Brown to remark, "That's the way I like to see a Gable picture start."

K. A. ABBAS.

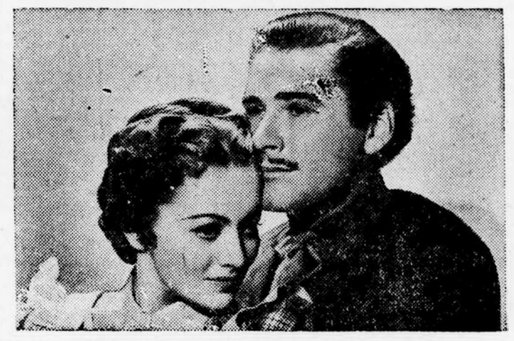
STAR FAINTS IN DANCE SCENE

(By "STUDIO SPY")

It is learnt that while she was working in a dance scene for her film "Life Of A Dancer" at Sagar Studios, Sadhona Bose, well-

SADHONA BOSE

known Bengali dancer and film star, fainted. The great physical strain of dancing before the cameras for long spells is said to have been the reason for her collapse. She recovered after a few minutes and is reported to have resumed work on her picture.



Errol Flynn and Olivia De Havilland in "Dodge City," technicolour film at New Empire.

NORMA SHEARER

She Worked Her Way To Fame

At fourteen Norma Shearer (see at Metro in "Idiot's Delight) went to New York to earn a living. For three years she worked as a photographic model, cooking on a gas jet in a tiny room, playing extra bits and occasional small parts in motion pictures.

Once she refused to sign a movie contract because the agent said, "Norma Shearer will never look well in lights." She wouldn't change her name and lost the opportunity. With jobs fewer and further apart, her luck changed. She received a ticket to Hollywood and a contract with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. A young film executive, Irving G. Thalberg, had seen her on the screen and sent for her.

A few years later he became her husband as well as fellow-worker. His death ended a true life romance filled with complete and wonderful happiness. But Norma Shearer has never lacked for courage. Her rise to stardom has been built on the motto which Thalberg gave her, "You have to risk failure to achieve success."

No star has been more daring or played so great a variety of roles, from "The Trial of Mary Dugan," "A Free Soul," and "The Divorcee," which brought her the Academy Award to "Romeo and Juliet," "Marie Antoinette," and now "Idiot's Delight." Robert Sherwood's Pulitzer prize-winning play, which co-stars her with Clark Gable.

Miss Shearer was born on August 10 in Westmount, a suburb of Montreal, Canada. (The M.G.M. Publicity people, of course, don't mention the year). Her birthplace was 507 Grosvenor Avenue. She is one of a family of three. Her sister, Athole, is the wife of the film director. Howard Hawks. Her brother, Douglas, graduated from the Bell Laboratories to become chief recording engineer for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

Her career has been one of the brightest Hollywood has known. But Miss Shearer's career has really been threefold. As a wife, mother and star she has won respect for herself and for Hollywood the world over.

DON AMECHE & CLAUDETTE COLBERT in "Midnight", coming next week to Eros.

WILD WEST IN TECHNICOLOUR

"Dodge City" At New Empire

The roughest and toughest cattle town in the history of the American western frontier is the setting for the vigorous tale of virile adventure told in "Dodge City" the Warner Bros. production in Technicolour, starring Errol Flynn, which is seen this week at the New Empire Theatre.

Other members of what is undoubtedly the most notable cast ever assembled for a picture dealing with western pioneer days include Olivia de Havilland, Ann Sheridan, Bruce Cabot, Frank McHugh, Alan Hale and John Litel.

Aside from its brilliant and obviously impressive cast, the picture is distinguished by its magnificent and authentic re-creation of the scene and the times depicted. The lavish detail with which the Dodge City of the 1870's and the great plains which surrounded it are vividly brought to life on the screen make it easily believable that, as reported, the studio spent a million and a half dollars on the production. In brilliant, natural Technicolour, the vast production is said to give the spectators the feeling that history is being relived before their eyes.

The story of "Dodge City" is laid in the period when this little community in the south western corner of Kansas, as the northern terminus of the famous old Chisholm Trail and the western terminus of the Santa Fe Railway, became the west's greatest cattle shipping centre.

At the opening of the picture, a great herd of longhorn steers is shown moving up the Chisholm Trail toward Dodge City, and the trail boss of the big herd is Errol Flynn, an Irish soldier-of-fortune who had drifted out west after fighting for the South in the Civil War.

Dodge City, when Flynn arrives there, is under the domination of a murderous gang headed by Bruce Cabot. Right after Flynn's arrival he has an angry encounter with Cabot and the small but brave law-abiding element, impressed by Flynn's temerity, urges Flynn to become sheriff and help clean up the town.

He declines, but a few days later, after the man to whom he has sold his cattle is murdered and Cabot causes the death of a child by starting a runaway in front of his saloon-gambling hall, he changes his mind. Meanwhile, McHugh, the crusading editor of the little town paper, has uncovered evidence which, he announces, will convict one of Cabot's henchmen of the murder of a cattleman. He says he will turn over his evidence to the new sheriff, but before he can do so, he too is murdered.

Olivia, who has been working on the paper, takes over the murdered editor's work, and she and the new sheriff finally get enough evidence to arrest the Cabot henchman whom McHugh had accused of murder. Then the clean-up campaign really begins.

Teamed with Flynn in the lead is Olivia de Havilland who has become identified as the screen sweetheart of the adventuring Irishman through a parade of hits. Starting with "Captain Blood" a few years ago, the star pair continued through such smash films as "Charge of the Light Brigade". "Four's A Crowd," and "The Adventures of Robin Hood".

Francisca Gaal Is Here

"The Girl Downstairs" Shown This Week At Excelsior

Aside from the effervescent comedy and the light romance of "The Girl Downstairs", which is seen at the Excelsior Theatre yesterday, there is the charming Franciska Gaal in her third American screen appearance. As Katerina, the scullery maid, who wins the love of a blase young man, played by Franchot Tone, Miss Gaal demonstrates the artistry which made her famous abroad. She is completely captivating.

Tone plays his part with nonchalant ease, impersonating the gay young blade who falls in love lightly with one girl, but head-over-heels with her kitchen maid. The story is a modern comedy placed in Switzerland. It is all in and for fun.

The story presents Tone as a determined young playboy who poses as a chauffeur in order to gain access to the home of Rita Johnson, the society girl whom he is courting. When he meets and falls in love with Miss Johnson's maid, played by Miss Gaal, complications ensue which pervade the plot with laughs from start to finish.

Miss Gaal's portrayal as the maid reveals her to be an accomplished actress with native charm and the ability to play with effective restraint. She also possesses a lovely singing voice demonstrated in the number. "When You're in Love."

"The Girl Downstairs" is excellent entertainment without pretense to anything else.

STUDIO TO MAKE 52 FILMS IN A YEAR

Headlined by the announcement of such spectacles as "The Rains Came," "Stanley and Livingstone," "Little Old New York," "Brigham Young," "Drums Along the Mohawk" and other dol. 2,000,000 productions, 20th Century-Fox studios this week announced that 52 pictures will be made for its 1939-40 releasing programme.

Darryl F. Zanuck, studio production chief, will make 24 specials of the new season's product, it was revealed. A total of 32 story subjects were cited from which his final selection will be made. Included in the list which Zanuck will personally make are the three big Cosmopolitan Productions, the determination of which also will be made at a later date.

Completing the total of 52 releases, the Sol M. Wurtzel units will make 32 pictures, concentrating mainly on the popular series films, such as the Jones Family, Charlie Chan, Mr. Moto and four Jane Withers comedies.

A scene from "Idiot's Delight," starring Clark Gable and Norma Shearer, at Metro.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

Bombay—I & II Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
31.4 metres (9,550 kc/s)
7-30 to 9-5 a. m. As in Delhi 1 1-0 p. m. Market Rates 1-10 Classical Music 1-30 to 2-0 As in Delhi 1.
244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)
6-0 to 7-0 Indian Records 7-0 to 7-30 as in Delhi 2 7-30 Commercial News 7-45 to 10-30 As in Delhi 2.

Delhi—I Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)
7-30 a. m. Rahimuddin Khan of Indore 7-50 Shamshadbai 8-30 School Broadcast.
1-0 p. m. Your Selections 6-10 Shamshadbai 6-30 Kanan Bala 6-40 Rahimuddin Khan 7-0 Hanuman Prasad 7-15 Hindi Books 7-30 For Villagers 8-15 Shamshadbai 8 35 Radio Orchestra 8-40 Rahimuddin Khan 9-35 James Agate by J K Cowley 10-5 Shamshadbai 10-15 Cornet Recital 10-20 Rahimuddin Khan.

Delhi—II Programme

31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s)
7-30 to 9-5 a. m. & 1-0 p. m. Listener's Lure
60.48 metres (4,960 kc/s)
6-0 to 6-10 As in Delhi 1 6-10 Rahimuddin Khan 6-35 Sarangi Recital 6-40 Hanuman Prasad 6-55 Shamshadbai 7-15 As in Delhi 1 7-30 Shamshadbai 7-50 Sitar Recital 7-55 Rahimuddin Khan 9-50 My dream and yours 10-0 Boston Promenade orchestra

Delhi—III Programme

19.62 metres (15,290 kc/s.)
7-30 to 9-5 a. m. & 1-0 to 2-0 p. m. As in Delhi 1
31.3 metres (9,590 kc/s)
6-0 to 10-30 As in Delhi 2.

Lahore—Programme

276 metres (1,086 kc/s)
6-0 p. m. Idanbai of Gujrat 6-15 Jagmohan Sharma 6-30 Tamancha Jan 6-45 Khadim Husain 7-0 Idanbai 7-15 Hindi Books (Review from Delhi) 7-30 Jagmohan Sharma 7-45 Tamancha Jan 8-0 for countryside 8-30 Idanbai 8-45 Tamancha Jan 9-35 Jojilla and Karakoram by A K Nyazee 9-50 Jannat-ki-Jhalak (Hindustani)

Peshawar Programme

Broadcaasts on 200 metres (1,500 kc/s) from 7 to 10-30 p. m. relaying Delhi programmes from 8 p. m.)

Trichy Programme

397 metres (758 kc/s)
2-0 p. m. Nathamuni Band Madras 2-15 Shrimati K B Sundarambal: Vocal 2-30 Chembai Vaidyanatha Bhagavatar: Vocal 2-45 Srinivasan & Vasundhara 6-0 for Villages 6-30 S K Sadasivam Pillai Vocal 7-0 Daughters of Avvai (Tamil) 7-15 Shrimati Chellammal Veena and Vocal 8-0 Todi 8-15 S K Sadasivam Pillai of Shiyali: Vocal 8-45 Shrimati Chellammal Veena and Vocal.

Calcutta—I Programme

(Add 24 minutes to all timings).
370.4 metres (810 kc/s)
10-30 a.m. A Selection.
12-30 p.m. Variety. 1-30 For you madam! 2-0 Saturday fun. 5-0 First Div. football league. 6-10 Leelabai. 6-20 Bijoy Sukla. 6-40 Leelabai. 7-0 Saptagram. 8-5 Current events. 9-10 Variety. 9-30 Dancing to music of Goodman.

Calcutta—II Programme

31 48 metres (9,530 kc/s)
10-30 a.m. to 11-30 and 12-30 p.m. to 2-30 As in Calcutta 1.
61.98 metres 4.840 kc/s)
5-0 to 6-10 As in Calcutta 1. 6-10 For countryside. 7-0 to 9-10 As in Calcutta 1. 9-10 Prosad Kumar Mukherjee. 9-20 Shyam Ganguli. 9-40 Binode Behari Srichandan. 10-0 For Oriya listeners.

Lucknow—Programme

293.5 metres (1,022 kc/s)
6-0 p.m. Naresh Chandra. 6-20 Akhtaribai Faizabadi. 6-40 Ghulam Sabir. 7-40 Naresh Chandra. 7-50 Akhtaribai Faizabadi. 8-15 Bi Amman (Hindustani). 8-30 Bhooli Hui Kahanian. 9-40 Examination howlers. 9-55 Naresh Chandra. 10-10 Ghulam Sabir. 10-20 Akhtaribai Faizabadi.

Madras—I Programme

211 metres (1,420 kc/s)
5-0 p.m. T. S. Seshadri Iyengar, vocal. 5-45 Carnatic orchestra. 6-0 Shrimati C.N. Rajalakshmi: vocal. 6-30 A I R Artist: Flute. 6-45 K. G. Ramadu Bhagavathar: vocal. 7-0 Author honoured (Tamil). 7-15 That Spare hour. 7-30 K. G. Ramadu Bhagavathar: vocal. 8-0 Carnatic orchestra. 8-5 N. S. Krishnaswami Iyengar: vocal. 8-55 Sports. 9-10 Records. 9-35 Famous Waltzes. 9-52 Clifford Thomas: Tenor. 10-12 In Marching time. 10-21 My favourite song. 10-30 Epilogue.

Madras—II Programme

60.98 metres (4,920 kc/s)
5-0 As in Madras 1. 6-0 Chorus. 6-10 Humorous skit in Telugu. 6-20 Gopi Geets. 6-30 Increased purchasing power (Telugu) 6-40 Light tunes by Shrimati Venkata Lakshmamma. 6-45 K. Sivaramakrishna Iyer of Kalakad: vocal. 7-15 to 9-35 As in Madras 1. 9-35 N. S. Krishnaswami Iyengar: vocal. 10-0 R. K. Venkatarama Sastri: Violin.

B. B. C. Programme

7-30 Thin red line. 8-20 Jack Wilson and his versatile five. 8-50 Golf British O. A. Championship. 9-0 Ambrose and his orchestra. 9-30 News. 9-45 Recital 10-5 Theatreland. 10-25 Stock Exchange report.

GOKALIBAI PUNAMCHAND PITAMBER HIGH SCHOOL

The new premises of Shreemati Gokalibai Punamchand Pitambar High School at Dadabhai Road, Vile Parle, will be opened by the Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher on Sunday, the 28th May at 5-30 p. m. when the bust of Sheth Punamchand Pitambardas will also be unveiled.

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London Doctor On Dictators' Manner Of Life

Constant wearing of top boots tends to cause "rushes of blood to the head."

That at least, was the theory advanced by Professor John Hilton at the Aldwych Club, when endeavouring to explain the manner of life of dictators. He said:

"It may be due to their having to wear those top boots all the time. They are so hot, and so constricated, and so unventilated. No wonder they get rushes of blood to the brain and pull such faces and shout so.

"Couldn't there be an internationl pronouncement, recognising carpet slippers as correct dictatorial wear?"

PERSONAL DISPUTES SHOULD NOT LEAD TO COMMUNAL SQUABBLES

Gaya Leaders' Appeal

GAYA, (By Mail).

Khan Bahadur Syed Hadi Hassan, Mr. Mathura Prasad (Municipal Chairman), the Hon. Mr. Syed Hussain Imam (of the Council of State), Dr. Kesho Prasad Sinha, Mr. Lakshmi Narain, Shah Qasimudeen and other members of the Conciliation Committee have issued an appeal to the Hindus and Mohammedans of Gaya district.

In the course of this they state "there is no truth in the rumour about any attack on the images of Dukharnimai and that there is peace in the town. If in future any dispute arises between a Hindu and Muslim on any ground it should not be made a communal quarrel, but should be properly settled."

The police are keeping a vigilant eye on the maintenance of peace and order.—A.P.

NO PREFERENCE FOR STATES' PATIENTS

Assam Anti-T. B. Association's Decision

CUTTACK, (By Mail)

A letter received from the Secretary to the Resident, Eastrn States Agency asking for certain information for the knowledge of the State's administrations was considered at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Provincial Anti-Tuberculosis Association and it was resolved that the Secretary be informed that the establishment of any sanatorium is not under the contemplation as it would involve heavy expenditure beyond the means of the Association and as such the question of allotment of specific beds in any such sanatorium for the States' patients would not arise.

The Association's object would be to estalish clinics at the District hospitals at an early date in sufficient number for the accommodation and observation of the patients and in such an arrangement no distinction would be made between the State's patients and patients of British Orissa.—A.P.

SET UP A CENTRAL OFFICE

Narendra Deo's Appeal To States' People Conference For Concerted Action

(From Our Correspondent.)
DOHAD, May 22.

Acharya Narendra Deo, President of the Central India States' People's Conference, Dohad Session gave the following message to the delegates, office bearers and members of the Working Committee of the Central India States' People's Conference in his concluding speech:—

"In these revolutionary times our ideas are fast changing according to circumstances. You have elected Sjt. S. M. Agarakar as your working President and by doing so you have burdened him with great responsibility. All of you must act as members of one family. You should not entertain ill-feelings for your co-workers and should work in a spirit of co-operation.

Delegates to the Conference have been prevented from attending this Conference, still it is creditable that about 70 delegates from far off places attended the Conference. You should also establish a Central Office for the Conference. You should organise the people, and they should be in close contact with the office. You should help your General Secretary and make the office efficient by rendering help to it.

You should also try to publish a journal of the Conference. If you succeed in having your own journal, your work will flourish. We have to solve the problems of the States' People's and the Kisans and the Mazdoors. We cannot wait any longer from rendering help to them. In the next Conference we must be able to show that we have discharged our responsibilities.

'RECKLESS ADMINISTRATION'

Commissioner's Strictures On Cawnpore Board Affairs

CAWNPORE, (By Mail)

Strong strictures were made by Mr. Pannalal, Commissioner of the Allahabad Division, against the financial condition of the Cawnore District Board in his annual review on the working of the District Boards in his division.

Mr. Pannalal says that the financial condition of the Cawnpore District Board was bad as it had no invested funds while the balance at its disposal was Rs. 2,314 against the prescribed minimum of Rs. 11,000. The total expenditure exceeded the total income by Rs. 28,233. Its finances have been so completely disorganised by reckless administration that it is now asking for suspension of the loan instalments due from it and also for a loan.

This year, says the review, was particularly disastrous in regard to the Chairman of the Boards. The Chairman of Fatehpur District died in May last, that of Farrukhabad resigned in October as an alternative to his removal by the Government for failure to follow the prescribed procedure regarding a no-confidence motion against him.

The Chairman of the Cawnpore District Board was removed by the Government in August last for failure to submit his resignation in spite of a no-confidence motion passed against him by the Board. The Chairman of the Allahabad District Board also suffered from frequent no-confidence motions but escaped censure.—A.P.

SATYAGRAHA IN C. P.

Policy Of Conciliation Needed To End Struggle

Mr. P. D. Marathe, Organising Secretary of the C. P. Pro. Kisan Sabha, Nagpur has issued the following for publication:—

"The utter failure of crops this year throughout Berar and Marathi C. P. is too well-known to need any comments thereon. The Congress Ministers also have declared suspension of some lakhs for this year and have created a delusion that the Government on its part has done all that was necessary. But has this brought any relief to the tenants of this Province?

In the first place the relief granted is a mere suspension and not remission; that means the axe of these heavy dues shall be all the while hanging on the heads of the Kisans for the next year as well. But apart from this even this little assession of suspension is not of any material use available for the tenants of this Province. True it is that this year's instalments both of Takavi and of conciliation Boards shall also be suspended along with the rent dues,—but what would have happened even if such suspension were not granted? Generally the rent dues are recovered through court only if they accumulate for 2 or 3 years. So also if Takavi instalments of the year were not paid, their recovery through courts would have ordinarily taken eight or ten months.

All this means that the tenants have gained very little from the suspension granted for the year's recovery aline. The main grievance of the tenants is about the recoveries that are going on ruthlessly about the previous years and of the past debt.

It is for this reason that the Kisan Conference held at Mandhal demanded that the ejectment proceedings and the other coercive processes has immediately suspended even for the past dues. But even this simple demand of the Umrer Kisans has not been headed to, and the Kisans have been therefore forced to launch Satyagraha in form of picketing at the Tehsil office from 22nd of this month.

The demands of the Umrer Kisans though moderate are also the demands of the tenants of this whole province. Naturally Umrer Satyagraha is gaining support from every corner of this Province. Even most of the Malguzars are also supporting the demands mentioned above, because they know full well that unless the tenants get some substantial relief this year, their cultivating activities of the next year also would be greatly hampered. But in spite of this wide support from the Malguzars if the Government were to carry ejectment and other proceedings unhampered, there is every likelihood that the Satyagraha started at the Tehsil office shall itself throughout the Tehsil.

Thus if the Government does want to spread ill feelings between the tenants on the one hand and the Malguzars and Sahukars on the other they should accede the demands immediately and should save the situation from further complications. I believe that Congress Ministers even at this late hour would rise to the occasion and do what is needful.

INDIAN SHIPPING AND OVERSEAS TRADE

(Continued from page 20)

ing the position in order to conclude a fresh agreement with Japan. It is understood that, as at the time of the previous negotiations, the Government of India will invite unofficial Advisers to assist them in the actual negotiations with the representatives of Japan. I would, however, like to invite your attention to one or two important points involved in this question.

The existing Indo-Japanese Trade Protocol, as you know, is confined to stipulations regarding the exchange of cotton and cotton piecegoods between the two countries. The imports from Japan, however, cover a wide range of manufactured articles, the imports of piecegoods forming only about 30 per cent of the total imports. These 'miscellaneous' imports from Japan have literally flooded the Indian market and hit many of our small and minor industries, whether old or newly established. It is also necessary that the range of our export trade with Japan should be widened. For, apart from other reasons, I may point out that the hold which Japan has come to acquire over various parts of China particularly over Manchuko in the north, gives her an alternative source of the supply of raw cotton and it would be inadvisable on our part to rely upon or to negotiate only on the basis of the export of raw cotton. It is, therefore, imperative that the new trade agreement which may be concluded with Japan should include within its scope the entire trade between the two countries.

SHIPPING PROBLEMS.

Another important aspect of the Indo-Japanese trade relations which should be brought within the purview of the impending trade negotiations with Japan is that of shipping employed in the trade. As you are aware, gentlemen, the entire present trade between the two countries is carried in non-Indian bottoms. The Imperial Shipping Committee has recently published a report with regard to the British Shipping in the Orient in which they point out how Japanese shipping has come to capture most of the trade between India and Japan. The use of trade agreements as an instrument for ensuring a share in the carriage of the goods for the shipping of the country which provides the market is now a recognised practice.

The Anglo-Soviet Trade Treaty of 1936 and the British Government's agreement with Lithuania are instances in point. Indeed, the British shipping interests demanded during the last Indo-Japanese Trade negotiations in 1936 that advantage should be taken of those negotiations to safeguard the participation of British shipping in this sphere of maritime trade. The Government of India, however, rightly turned down this claim on the ground that the so-called "Empire" or British shipping concerned in this trade did not include Indian shipping. It need hardly be pointed out that if opportunities are provided by giving a reasonable share of the trade to Indian shipping, and Indian ventures are prevented from being exterminated through uneconomic competition, the requisite tonnage would be available for the purpose of this maritime trade. The Imperial Shipping Committee also recognise in their report that the aspirations of India to enter into the field of shipping operations are natural and should be fairly met in a co-operative spirit by the United Kingdom lines."

I may submit that the present negotiations provide a suitable opportunity to British shipping for showing such a co-operative spirit and for the Government of India to implement their policy about assisting the participation of Indian shipping in the overseas trade of the country. It is essential, therefore, that provision should be made in the new Indo-Japanese Trade Agreement for the participation of Indian shipping in the Indo-Japanese maritime trade which, so far as raw cotton is concerned emanates from India and so far as piecegoods are concerned depends on India's markets.

Appeal For Savarkar's Birthday Observance

NEW DELHI, May 26

Mr. Indra Prakash, General Secretary, Akhil Bharatiya Hindu Yuvak Sabha, in a circular letter to Hindu Sabhas and Hindu Yuvak Sabhas all over the country, calls upon them to celebrate Mr. V. D. Savarkar's birthday on Sunday, May 28.

Mr. Prakash suggests that the occasion should be utilised for the propagation of the principles of "Hindu Sangathan" for which their great leader (Mr. Savarkar) stands and for the collection of funds for the "Hyderabad Dharamyudha" which is being carried on by the Hindu Mahasabha under the dictatorship of Mr. Savarkar.—A. P.

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by BRUNO

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CLAIRE OWEN GOT INTO PICTURES ON HER OWN LEGS.. ... WHEN A GOOD LOOKING SET OF PINS WAS NEEDED FOR A VACCINATION SCENE IN 'DR. JENNER'
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Mysore Dewan Commends Nationalism To Salem Muslims

SALEM, May 25.

"So far as your own Province is concerned I feel sure that you can repose the utmost confidence in the good intentions of the Government towards your community. The present head of that Government is a renowned patriot, who is more interested in serving his country than his community. You may well trust him to safeguard all that you hold dear and to protect your interests in all possible ways. I have no doubt that his colleagues too are imbued with the same friendly feeling towards you."

This sound advice was given to the Muslims of Salem by Sir Mirza Ismail, Dewan of Mysore, in reply to an address of welcome presented to him to-day.

Continuing Sir Mirza said:—

"Do not forget however, this dominating fact. No one—not even Governments—can help us unless we help ourselves. Without exertion you cannot achieve progress or satisfaction. There is a vast difference between favours and rewards. Do not seek the former, but strive for the latter. Reward for honest endeavour is more valuable, because it is more soul-satisfying, than favour received without effort, or as a result of clamour"

He added:—

"We, in India, where sentiment is used too often as a substitute for thought, should take a lesson from the Islamic countries in the Near East. Perhaps the most interesting change which the new nationalism has brought to them is reflected in the lesser emphasis put upon religion. Until relatively recent years the emotional and social life of Near Eastern people was entirely dominated by religion. Although among the older generation the sentiments of hostility toward persons of different beliefs are still alive, if lumbering, in the younger generation there has been a far-reaching transformation. Common schools, common political ideals, common economic enterprises bring the various groups of youth together. Religion as it was known before is not dead, but it no loner dominates political and social life. Nationalism does that. In Turkey, Islam is no longer the religion of the State. Muslims and Christians co-operate as closely in Egypt as in Damascus. Frequently leaders in the nationalist movements are native Christians. In nationalist processions the Cross mingles with the Crescent.

"All creeds and communities in India should try to follow that example, work in a spirit of co-operation for the common good and unite in the service of their common motherland while following their own religious beliefs and customs."

Concluding he laid great stress on education and said:— "It is by the expansion of knowledge by, the improvement of our outlook on life generally and our relations to one another that we can best achieve progress, and I hope and pray that we Muslims will play a worthy part as citizens of a great country with a great future before it.—United Press.

Mysore Dewan Congratulates Madras Government

SALEM, May 25.

"No study could be more deeply and practically interesting than that of our different ways of working things out. Here is competition in well-doing, and, therefore, a great opportunity of mutual profit. Take, for instance your great Prohibition triumph. That phrase is sincere congratulation. I understand that in this district prohibition has resulted in increased prosperity and happiness among the poor. Now, we also seek this result, but your means less direct, less simple, less dance with our own ideas of personal liberty. Thus we seek means less direct, less simple, less purely legislative, less immediately effective. We, too, seek and shall reach the same goal, and it is difficult for any contemporary person to say who is the wiser in respect of means."

Thus declared Sir Mirza Ismail, Dewan of Mysore, in the course of reply to an address of welcome presented by the Salem Municipal Council to-day.

Sir Mirza added:—

"We should make every effort to supply the needs of our towns and cities and do something in addition. The beautification of our towns and cities must be made a continuous process. Do not be afraid of spending a portion of your income in making your town more attractive both to your fellow citizens and to the visitor. Slum clearance and the housing of the poor must go on 'pari passu' with the beautification schemes. They are inseparable from them. Dirt and health do not make congenial companions. Dirty homes, neighbourhoods and towns take their toll not only in disease but in wastage of human effort.

"Another suggestion that I would permit myself to make is that you should preserve existing open spaces and add new ones for the enjoyment and benefit of the public."

Concluding the speaker paid glowing tributes to Mr. C. Vijayaraghavachariar, the Grand Old Man of South India, and the Hon. Mr .Rajagopalachariar,the Premier. He said it is indeed fortunate that in these critical times there is at the helm of affairs in this great Presidency a man of Mr. Rajagopalachariar's integrity and highmindedness, practical wisdom and steadfast loyalty to the deepest public interests.—United Press.

Daring Midnight Encounter With Dacoits

VILLAGERS' COURAGE SAVES SITUATION: POLICE IN HOT PURSUIT

RANGOON, (By Air Mail) May, 20.

The following communique has been issued on the night of the 29th April, 1939, a gang of about 9 to 11 dacoits attacked on the field hut of Maung Sein Pe near Kheeik-Chaung Hamlet in Taikkyi Police Station jurisdiction.

All the inmates with one exception escaped on the arrival of the dacoits, and an alarm was raised. The dacoits fired one shot at the escaping persons, which had the effect of rousing the surrounding villagers of Udo, Thanatchaung-Aukpaing, Thegaw, Ingon, Yedwingyi and Kangale, from which villages, the villagers promptly turned out, and stopped the dacoits continuing with the dacoity and at the same time cutting off their escape from every direction except that to the North West, in which direction the dacoits made off, closely pursued by two parties of villagers, who eventually brought them to bay about a mile away.

The dacoits put up a resistance, but upon losing one of their guns they broke up four of them taking shelter in some huts nearby, where they were surrounded, and arrested by the Udo Headman. The remaining dacoits went into some scrub jungle followed by another party or villagers, at whom them attempted to shoot with their second gun, which however fortunately misfired, and which was left behind by them in the subsequent scuffle. Unfortunately, however, these remaining dacoits managed to effect their escape, although they left behind some shoes, and a hat, in addition to the locally made gun.

The manner in which the villagers turned out deserves great praise and steps are being taken to reward those who took the chief part.

Another Story

The following communique has been issued on the 11th May, 1939, acting on information received that a dacoity would take place in Aukkyaung Village, Minbu District, a party of Police under the command of the Circle Inspector, Minbu left for the village, arriving there at 9-30 p.m.

The party took up positions covering the house which it was alleged was to be dacoited, and at about 12-0 midnight, a gang of dacoits, about six in number, turned up. One of the dacoit party fired a round, from what was later found to be a locally-made gun with the object of frightening away the villagers, whereupon the Police Party opened fire, and the dacoits took to their heels, but left behind a locally-made gun loaded with a twelve bore cartridge, and two pairs of slippers.

The Police Party immediately made a search in the compound of the house, and discovered a man whose name had previously been given as the "Lettauk", hiding under a cart suffering from gunshot wounds. The Police Party and villagers chased the dacoit gang, but were unable to come up with them.

The following morning two more suspects were arrested one being found lying in the jungle suffering from gun-shot wounds, whilst the other was found in his house with scratches on his body. Both these men have given confessions implicating three other men, one of whom had been arrested and it is expected that the arrests of the other two will not be long delayed.—A. P.

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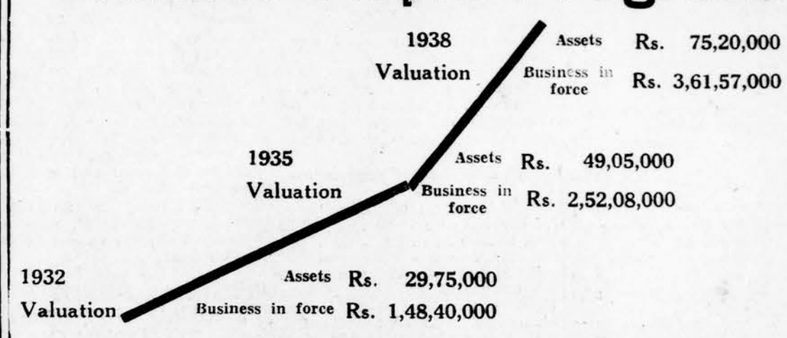

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AGRARIAN SITUATION IN UMRER

Ejectment Of Tenants And Revenue Remission Not Granted

Mr G. L. Tambekar, Leader of the Kisan Satyagraha, Umrer, sends the following:—

The Press note dated 20-5-39 issued by the G. P. Government about the agrarian situation in Umrer Tehsil is full of sweet words and platitudes. It is silent over the main demands of the agriculturists as expressed in the resolution at Madnhal on 23-4-39. The resolution urges upon the Government to take steps to suspend all recovery proceedings about the arrears of land revenue, arrears of rent, arrear of taccavi, etc.

The Government has no courage to discuss the problem about arrears in its note and altogether avoids any reference to it, so far as taccavi and arrears of rent are concerned. The Government has elaborately said a good deal about the suspensions granted or proposed to be granted to this Tehsil during this year alone. In the present circumstances not only suspension but remission is necessary but the case of remission has been deliberately abandoned by the Mandhal Conference so as to put our demands at the lowest.

It will however be seen that suspension of revenue granted for the year 1938-39 does not mean immediate and instantaneous relief to the tenants in general and the occupancy tenants in particular who are over 95 per cent. of the agriculturists in this tehsil.

Even in the absence of any suspension the occupancy tenants can manage to drag on proceedings of rent suits and ejectments for about 8 or 9 months, that is, about the next harvest. And if the next harvest is good, the suspension proves a doubtful remedy under the circumstances. The secretary of Umrer T. Congress Committee has particularly emphasised this aspect of the problem in his letter to Hon., the Premier Minister and the Revenue Minister. This question has not been discussed at all in the press note.

About Taccavi arrears extending over 5 or 7 years, which amount to over a lac of rupees the Government is taking all possibility steps by coercive methods to recover the whole of it at this juncture, when Government admits by granting suspension that there has been failure of crops in this part. No legislation is necessary to postpone this recovery for this year. If the Govt. means it, it can be done immediately. The press note is silent over this.

As regards the ejectments of the occupancy tenants from their holdings, there has been constant demand from these tenants by whose vote the present Government has been in the saddle for about 2 years, to remove the obnoxious provisions of the Statute. During this long period Government has practically taken no steps to give effect to the urgent demands of this class. It is not for me to say that the Government is judged not by what it possesses but what it actually does, and no amount of soothing expressions can carry any conviction to those who are practically under servitude. I am told that the report of the Revenue Committee is before the Government since long time and two sessions of the Assembly were held after it. It is unfair to take a shelter behind the Revenue Committee when the Government knows that majority of the members do not favour any major reforms for the tenants.

The recovery of the arrears of the instalments of Debt Conciliation Board through Revenue Officers by attaching bullocks cattle and corn is simply harassing to-day and the Government has nothing to say about this as well as about arrears of rent and revenue

It is true that temporary postponements of Executions of decrees Act and other enactments offer some relief for these proceedings through the Civil Court but when we know that almost all debts to the extent of 17 lacs have been settled by the Debt Conciliation Board much importance cannot be attached to these enactments.

It is however decided to hold a special session of Kastkar Conference of the whole Tahsil, with a view to place the whole situation before it on the 11th June 1939, at Umrer.

For the foregoing reasons amongst others the press note is most unsatisfactory and does not meet the requirements of the situation. The agriculturists have no pleasure in undertaking this Satyagraha. They are driven to it by evasive and week policy of the Government.

Strange Burma Phenomenon

Ball Of Fire In Sky

How a ball of fire in the sky was seen by people in Burma is recalled by the recovery by the Geological Survey of India of specimens of meteorites after meteoric showers.

The meteorite fell at Nabwe-Khaywa village, 120 miles east of Toungoo on the night of September 17, 1937. It was seen at various places in Burma and was described as a big ball of fire, low in the sky, with tongues of flames and with a tail of variegated lights, which travelled slowly across the sky and was visible for about 20 seconds. It finally broke up, followed by a rumbling noise and earth-tremors, the latter being strongly felt by the residents of the Toungoo, Yamethin and Mawchi mines.

Another meteorite fell at village Rangala in Johpore State on December 29, 1937.

A fragment of the "Bheral" meteorite which fell in 1893 in Junagadh State, Kathiawar, which is unrepresented in the Geological Survey collection has been obtained on loan from the Watson Museum, Rajkot for study. It weighs 14.66 grammes and its counterpart in the British Museum 17.5 grammes.

Meteorites were presented to the Department last year from Prague, Australia, United States of America and the United Kingdom.

EDUCATIONAL RESEARCH IN INDIA

(Continued from Page 6).

gogues in half a year, are not congenial auspices. There is neither the time, nor the energy nor the mind on the part of either student or professor. It must have been evident also that theses assigned as home-work are invitations to disappointment, and that unless he is emancipated from the regular training work, the professor cannot give candidates the guidance they need.

That put positively means that Research students must enrol as full-time students and work under the supervision of their professor at the University or elsewhere and that the Research Professor must not be saddled with pedagogical drilling. Research guidance then should be concentrated in the University and not be spread ineffectively over the different colleges. It would be unthinkable for individual colleges to provide the necessary facilities, and duplication would be wasteful. Collaboration might prove worse than useless without the prior guarantee of certain essential qualifications. The University is the logical place also because it is already the centre for various other research courses and many of the requisite facilities are already available. Like the School of Economics or Sociology or the Departments of Politics and Indian History, the Post-Graduate Department of Education, or Department of Educational Research is a University concern.

Indian students are prepared to go abroad and give themselves exclusively for two or more years to their research subject. And it must be remembered that the research degree is necessarily meant for the exceptional rather than the ordinary teacher and that research work that will consummate in a degree is unlikely under other conditions, this whole-time devotion for two years to a special subject would seem not unreasonable. So far Universities have been timidly content with demanding two years private work after the L. T. or B. Ed. or B. T. i.e., the first degree.

Research Bureaus

This is so far as the advanced work of post L. T. or B. T. is concerned. But there is need for agencies or bodies which are devoted exclusively to the intensive study of problems and the evaluation of processes, and are not necessarily concerned with University degrees. As in other countries and in other sciences, so here, Bureaus of Research and Counsel should be organised which will serve as educational laboratories and distributors of information. It should be possible for persons doubtful of the value of a process or a theory to refer it to this Institute for expert and tested opinion. When guidance is needed as to how schools of a particular type may be started it should be available somewhere. Should the experience of other Nursery schools or other Dalton schools be required by a struggling, enterprising, far-away educationist, he should be able to turn to some centre for enlightenment. Much overlapping, duplication and wasteful experimentation can thus be avoided. On its own, too, the Bureau might proceed to conduct or encourage experiments. It might prepare tests and standardise them for general use. It might establish age norms and scales for various skills and achievements. It could make or suggest surveys along various lines. It might go into questions like examinations, marking, word frequency, and the working out of new type tests for the various school subjects. It should be able to throw light on such persistent problems as illiteracy, adult education, sex instruction, vocational guidance, compulsory attendance, medical supervision, handicrafts in school, education films and the like. The best experience, not merely of the various provinces, but of the other countries, should be made available to the eager inquirer. The Institute might be referred to by a would-be research student for a suitable problem and some research students might be associated with it. There must be centres to hearten the fainting, to enlighten the struggling and to guide the erring. In a huge country like India it is impossible for any individual or group of individuals even with the best will in the world to collect, collate and co-ordinate the results of research and experiments, much less to foster or sponsor such undertakings or broadcast information of a useful kind. It is the work of a Bureau or Department financed by Government.

Central And Provincial Institutes

A Central Institute is a long-felt necessity. It could work in co-operation with the Educational Commissioner. Indeed, whatever is being done now could be made much more effective and consequential. The surprise is that educational advisers to the Government of India have had to carry on to a large extent without the assurance which comes from knowledge of the achievements along different lines of the various parts of the lands and the results of actual investigations into the country's problems. The Advisory Board, now revived, should have at its disposal all the information which can be collected, and be in a position to fortify its opinions by actual research and investigation conducted under the auspices of the Bureau or Board. It should also aim at becoming a distributing centre for educational guidance and information.

Even that is not enough in a country of this size. Without the active contribution of the parts even the centre cannot be well supplied. The States and Provinces should generously invest in this labour-saving, time-saving and money-saving device. Their special needs have to be met and special investigations into their individual difficulties will be necessary. In trying to manage without such a Bureau of Research and Information they seem to have been penny-wise and pound-foolish. They should also try and secure private donations and endowments from individuals seeking new avenues for their philanthropy. It is ruinous, financially and in every other way, to try to get on as though darkness were no handicap and ignorance of no drawback. If it is true that we learn from experience, why not ensure more rapid progress and more economical progress by learning not only from our own experience but also from the combined experience of many others and their experiments? That way lies wisdom. That way lies economy. That way lies certain progress.

Summary

To summarise, India is an educational back-number. She has been obliged to grope blindly and stumble at every step. The light of successful experience in the laboratory and out in the world is what is needed. Training Colleges are otherwise engaged. Universities and Government Bureaus in the different States and Provinces can enlighten her and in many ways enhance the usefulness of a well-equipped, long overdue, National Bureau of Research and Counsel. Its absence points to extravagance the country cannot stand. The next step in Indian education must be the establishment of such University Departments, and Provincial Institutes and at the centre an effective well-equipped, Board radiating light to the distant corners of this vast land. And it may be pointed out that this idea received the enthusiastic approval of the Wardha Educational Committee.

Miraben, Mahatma Gandhi's disciple is giving instruction to a Peshawar woman in plying the Charka, during her propaganda in Frontier.

MR. THAKOREBHAI C. THAKORE
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NO CONNECTION WITH OUTRAGE

Bhavnagar Muslim League's Statement

The Secretary of the Bhavnagar State Muslim League writes:—

An extraordinary meeting of the Bhavnagari Muslims residing at Bombay was held under the auspices of Bhavnagar State Muslim League on Wednesday under the presidentship of Mr. Rahimbhai Peerbhai, wherein the following resolutions were passed.

This meeting of the residents of Bhavnagar called under the auspices of Bhavnagar State Muslim League, Bombay, condemns and disapproves of the statements of Mr. Vallabhbhai Patel against the Muslim League and further declares that the Bhavnagar Muslim subjects have no direct or indirect connection with the Muslim League and looks with contempt at such statements creating trouble.

This meeting believes that the Muslim subjects of Bhavnagar had no concern at all with the event which took place near the Musjid, as has been declared by Bhavnagar State Muslim League, and further declares that the allegations made against the Muslim Subjects are false.

Nevertheless the meeting appoints a deputation of the following persons to collect full details, and facts of the same:—Usmanbhai Rahimbhai; Muhammed Umer Kokil and others.

This meeting requests H. H. the Maharaja, and the Divan Saheb of Bhavnagar, to order the Police, to refrain themselves from committing inhuman oppression, and to remove the Police-guard from the Musjid, and give the possession thereof to Muslim Subjects, so that their prayer and religion may not be interfered with, and it further requests to appoint an impartial Committee, to investigate, inquire and publish the facts of this event independently.

This meeting empowers the President to send copies of these resolutions to His Excellency the Viceroy of India, H.H. the Maharaja of Bhavnagar, Divan Sahcb of Bhavnagar, the Resident, Mr. M. A. Jinnah, the President of Muslim League, Mr. M. K. Gandhi, Kathiawar State Muslim League and Bhavnagar State Muslim League.

DECLINE IN BURMESE FOREIGN TRADE

Riots And Labour Troubles Among Contributing Factors

RANGOON, (By Mail.)

Burma whose prosperity depends on the profitable sale of comparatively few primary products, cannot hope to escape the effect of world conditions, and for the first time since the export trade began to climb out of the depths into which it dropped in 1931-32, the year 1938-39 witnessed a set-back, says a preliminary review of the trade of Burma during 1938-39. But it is satisfactory in the general conditions which prevailed that the export trade at 48,50 lakhs was no more than 4 per cent. behind the 1937-38 figure of 50,44 lakhs, which was the highest figure reached since 1930-31.

To the disturbing factor prevailing in international trade Burma added more immediately disturbing factors of her own. For months at a time and over large parts of the country Bazaar trade was almost at a standstill owing to the profound and widespread uneasiness and loss of confidence caused by riots followed by labour troubles. Stocks were depleted and future commitments avoided. It is to these causes rather than to any world conditions that must be attributed for the most part the fall in imports from 23,81 lakhs in 1937-38 to 20,78 lakhs in 1938-39, the larger figure being the lowest recorded since 1934-35.

Exports to India show a slight increase in 1938-39 as compared with 1937-38. Exports to India which amounted to forty per cent. of the total foreign trade in 1936-37 fell to 35 per cent. in 1937-38. They have risen to 38 per cent. in 1938-39.

Exports to other foreign countries record a fall of Rs. 259 lakhs in 1938-39 as compared with the previous year.

Imports from India which were higher in 1937-38 than during 1936-37 declined by Rs. 52 lakhs during the 1938-39.

Imports from other foreign countries decreased to greater extent, from Rs. 1,210.8 lakhs in 1937-38 to Rs. 959.8 lakhs in 1938-39, and India's share of the total import trade rose from 49 per cent. to 54 per cent.

The total trade with India records a rise of Rs. 14.3 lakhs during 1938-39 as compared with the previous year.

It is noteworthy that the balance of re-export trade between India and Burma, which is always heavily against Burma, was considerably reduced, the figures being Rs. 59.5 lakhs in 1937-38 and and 43.7 in 1938-39.—A. P.

Tramway Workers Demand Removal Of Grievances

A well attended meeting of the Tramway workers was held under the auspices of the "Tramwaymen's Union," last Tuesday. Mr. Gangadhar Kanhoba presided.

Mr. V. H. Joshi, Gen. Secretary of the Union, explained to the workers the deliberations between the deputation of the workers and the Tramway Company's management.

"The Deputation," he said, "put before the management the following:—(1) Indifference and negligence on the part of the Company's doctor. (2) The troublesome practice of the management to transfer workers from workshop to traffic and 'vice versa.' (3) New employees do not get allowance, etc. (4) Inferior grades for superior work. (5) Highest punishment for slight mistakes. (6) Newly employed workers receive only 5-1|2 hours' wages on Saturday instead of eight hours."

"The management," continued Mr. Joshi, "has assured Mr. Malap, the spokesman and the other members of the deputation to investigate into the matter and remove defects."

Mr. Dange criticised Company's attitude in not allowing 'outsiders' in the deputation while allowing the same in the deputations of the Bus and Traffic workers' Unions. He urged upon the workers to approach the Congress Government and the Company, and, if necessary, to carry on vigorous agitation against this injustice. He also appealed to the workers to join the Union and strengthen it.

MOTHER & DAUGHTER IN LIGHTNING TRAGEDY

FENI, (By Mail).

A severe thunderstorm passed over the southern parts of the sub-division on the afternoon of May 15.

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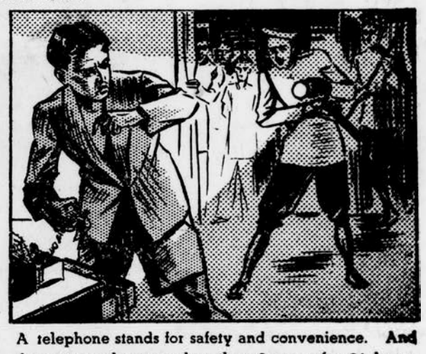

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COMMENDABLE RURAL ENTERPRISE

Villagers Dig A Long Canal

RANGPUR, (By Mail)

A noteworthy piece of rural welfare work has been completed mainly by the efforts of the villagers of Aditmari in the interior of the district.

A canal, about 1½ miles long and 26 feet wide, has been dug, joining two extensive Bils with the Swarnamati river. The canal is expected to drain off the bils throwing up about 60,000 acres of land for cultivation and improving the health of the neighbouring villages.

The Government contributed Rs. 400 and the local landlord Rs. 1,000 towards the expenses. The District Magistrate, the District Engineer and the Sadar Sub-Divisional officer inspected the canal and expressed satisfaction at the work done.—A.P.

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS IN KARACHI

Wardens Receive Training

KARACHI, (By Mail).

The Air-Raid Wardens, numbering 60, chosen from the city of Karachi, which has been divided into 23 zones, met for the first time in the Municipal Hall, to receive training from Dr. Billimoria, Health Officer of the Karachi Municipal Corporation.

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SYLHET ADVOATE THREATENS TO 'FAST UNTO DEATH

SYLHET, (By Mail).

Mr. Radhananda Bhattacharyya, an Advocate of Sylhet, has issued a statement demanding that Rai Bahadur Promode Chandra Datta, M.L.A., should resign his seat by the May 30 and that the Congress should nominate him for the bye-election from the South Habiganj General Constituency in place of the Rai Bahadur.

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SELF-SACRIFICE NEEDED TO CARRY COUNTRY ON TO POLITICAL FREEDOM ...

KUMTA, May 25.

Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister of Bombay, left Siddapur this morning and arrived at Honavar. About ten villagers greeted him on the way with garlands and narrated their grievances.

At Honavar Mr. Kher visited the Industrial School of the Gramodyoga Sangha and inspected various processes of different industries. The Premier expressed his satisfaction at the progress made by the students in coir work, button-making and comb manufacture.

Mr. Kallapur, a local worker of the school and Mr. Hanmantrao Kowjalgi of the W.I.V.I.A., took him round the school.

Afterwards Mr. Kher arrived at Tupper Hall, where a public meeting was arranged. At the request of Mr. Kowjalgi, Mr. Kher opened an industrial exhibition and inspected the exhibits.

The meeting began with a welcome song. Mr. Nagarkatte, President of the Honavar Municipality, read the Municipal address and presented it in an ivory casket to the Premier. Various other associations also presented addresses.

Mr. Kher spoke detailing Government's policy regarding education, prohibition, rural uplift and industrial progress. He said that the Congress in its fight for the past 50 years got some rights, but these being meagre, the Congress Governments were severely handicapped. Military foreign relations, import duties, reduction of pay of higher officials were matters which vested in the Central Government.

Mr. Kher exhorted the audience to realise that their weakness lay in disunion and that organisation alone would lead them to Swarajya. The speaker in this connection dwelt on India's past history and pointed out how India had lost her independence owing to disunion and internal strifes. He praised the Panchayat system of ancient India and expressed the opinion that, though there was monarchy in those times people were happier and enjoyed more rights. He appealed to the people to join hands with the Government in making its policy successful.

Associations like the Merchants' Association, Busowners' Association and the Catholic Association also presented addresses.

The Premier made a joint reply. He referred to the various schemes of the Bombay Government and dwelt at length on the educational and rural development schemes. He asked the people to be ready for sacrifices and referred to the sacrifices made by the Gujarat and Karnatak peasants who lost their properties in the no tax campaign. He paid a tribute to the various communities of the Kanara District for their unity

Referring to the Christians' demand that the use of the Konkani language should be encouraged by its introduction in schools Mr Kher remarked that for the negligence of the language the Konkan people themselves were responsible and that no blame attached to the past of present Governments He also appealed to them to learn and adopt the provincial language—the language of the majority.

The Premier and Party later left for Ankola. A.P.

Kher's Tribute To Kanara Peasants' Sacrifices

PREMIER PLOUGHS FIELD CONFISCATED DURING NO-TAX CAMPAIGN

BELGAUM, May 26

Mr. B. G. Kher left for Ankola, after addressing a public meeting at Kumta yesterday.

"En route" he stopped at Uravle, small village in Ankola taluka to take part in the celebration of return of forfeited lands. He led the ploughing on the field belonging to Mr. Ramdas Gauda, whose lands and five houses had been confiscated during the no-tax Campaign.

The Premier addressed a public meeting at Ankola.

Mr. Gangadharrao Deshpande referred to the sacrifices made by the peasants of Ankola for Swaraj and exhorted others to follow their example. He particularly mentioned Mr. Ramdas Gauda who though not educated in the sense had not gone to a school, had sufficient patriotism to sacrifice his all in doing his duty to his motherland.

The Premier added to the tributes paid to Ankola peasants. He hoped the example of Mr. Ramdas Gauda would kindle the spiri of sacrifice and patriotism in all.

The morning the Premier proceeded to Karwar and attended various public functions. The local Municipality and the Kanara District Local Board presented him with addresses.

NO SHIKAR VISIT

After addressing a public meeting he proceeded to Yellapur and addressing another public meeting there said he had come there to know first hand their difficulties. He humorously remarked that he was not there on a 'Shikar' visit. He advised the peasants to represent their grievances regarding forests to the Forest Minister.

At Halyal again he addressed another meeting.

PARTING MESSAGE

In a parting message to the people of Karnatak he said:—

"I have had a very useful tour in Kanara district. I was very glad to have had an opportunity of remaining present on the occasion of the festivity of Ankola and Siddapur ryots, on the restoration of their forfeited lands. I saw, for the first time, how a very large number of farmers, men and women, fearlessly participated in the struggle for freedom and cheerfully sacrificed all their worldly belongings. In Siddapur alone over 500 men and 85 women courted imprisonment, 50 per cent. land revenue was withheld and lands of the value of over a lakh and a quarter of rupees had been sold for the recovery of about Rs. 10,000.

"The residents of Karwar District are staunch followers of Mahatma Gandhi and next to Gujrat, Karwar District made the largest sacrifice in the course of last Satyagraha. I was, therefore, very happy to be in the midst of such people. The poverty is appalling, but the farmers are very industrious and hospitable. I came to know their grievances at first hand I hope to give them some relief. I had a most instructive and useful tour, in this beautiful district, poor in wealth, but rich in beautiful scenery and devotion to the country's cause."—A P.

REVIVE KHILAFAT TO RESCUE ISLAM

Begum Mahomed Ali's Appeal For United Front Of All Muslims

"Islam to-day is in a precarious condition.

The Muslims of the world should, therefore, unite and make a concerted effort to extricate it from its present plight. Our every endeavour from now onwards should be in that direction; or else, there is the fear that the spirit of Islam may be strangled by destructive forces."

These were the salient remarks made by Begum Muhammadali, presiding over the Bombay Provincial Khilafat Conference at Muhammad Ali Road, Bombay, on Friday night.

The conference is the outcome of the decision arrived at by the Khilafat Committee to revive the movement.

A large gathering of more than 10,000 Muslims heard the Begumsahiba.

KHILAFAT FLAG UNFURLED.

Earlier she unfurled the Khilafat flag and a guard of honour was presented by the Khilafat volunteers.

After recitations from the Quran the proceedings of the Conference commenced. The Conference which will consist of four nocturnal sessions will deliberate over several resolutions.

MESSAGES

In his introductory speech Hakim Shamsul-Islam, Chairman of the Reception Committee, read out several messages received from All-India leaders of the Khilafat movement expressing their inability to attend the conference and wishing success to the session.

The President-elect of the conference, Mr. Abdul Rehman Siddiqui M.L.A. (Bengal), wired saying that due to important work which necessitated" his presence in Bengal, he was unable to preside at the conference. He, however, wished it all the success that it deserved

The other messages were from Chowdry Khaliq-ul-zaman, Shaikh Abdul Majid of Sind, Nawab Bahadur Yar Jung of Hyderabad and Nawab Ismail Khan, M.L.A. (U. P.)

R. C. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME.

In the course of his address Hakim Shamsul-Islam urged the necessity for giving an impetus to the Khilafat movement which had a glorious and historical past. He referred to the services rendered by the Khilafat to the Muslim world.

For the last few years the Khilafat Committee had not been doing active work; hence he thought the Muslim countries were reduced to their present plight. Concluding the speaker remarked that Palestine and Albania served as eye-openers.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS.

Begum Muhammadali in an impassioned speech warned the Muslims against the move set afoot by interested persons to divide Muslims into different groups and parties. She said that the Muslim world to-day was in great crisis.

The present fissiparous tendencies, the speaker observed, would bring disaster upon Islamic countries.

ATTACK ON CONGRESS.

Attacking the policy of the Congress, she said that it did not want the Muslims to progress and prosper in India. The Muslims, the Begumsahiba remarked, were suffering from various disabilities imposed by the Congress.

Appealing for unity among Muslims of different shades and opinions she said that if the present-day differences between Muslims were not removed the community would be annihilated.

She deplored the Shia-Sunni struggle in U. P.

troy Muslim culture, language and religion.

Referring to the Wardha scheme she declared that there was no provision for Islamic education.

She advised that every Muslim child should be taught the Quran.

Finally hurling a challenge at Whitehall she emphatically warned that if the Palestine problem was not settled to the entire satisfaction of the Muslims it would end in serious consequences to the Imperialist policy of the British Government.

Regarding recruitment to the Indian Army she urged the Muslims not to join the army as it was the backbone of British imperialism.

She concluded with an exhortation for immediate amalgamation of the different Muslim bodies in India to achieve their goal.

FOR EUROPE'S TRANQUILLITY

Economic Redistribution Of World Resource Advocated By Dr. Sreeram

ELLORE, May 25.

The view that the solution of colonial problems lay in the suggestion made by Sir Samuel Hoare in 1935 before the League of Nations, to the effect that there should be an international conference for considering a proper distribution and re-adjustment of the resources of the tropical and temperate colonies, was expressed by Dr. Sir V. Sreeram, Head of the Department of Politics and Economics, Lucknow University, in the course of a lecture here.

Such an adjustment, he observed, would surely lead to political peace and tranquillity in Europe.

Proceeding the lecturer said: "As for the people of the colonies themselves, this solution may not go very far. The colonies should all be mandated areas, and kept under an international administrations supervised by something like the Mandates Commission of the League of Nations.

"The composition of the Mandates Commission is somewhat defective, because it does not provide for the representation of natives in its personnel. If a member of the Anti-Slavery Society and the natives of the mandated areas are represented on the Commission, then the machinery of the mandates system is likely to run more smoothly and better administration will be secured for the mandated areas."—United Press.

HISSAR FAMINE RELIEF

Appeal For Help For Cultivators

(From A Correspondent.)

DELHI, May 26.

Pandit Nekiram Sharma, President, Hissar Congress Famine Relief Committee, thanks philanthropists of Bombay, Ahmedabad, Karachi and other places for the generous help to distressed cows and people of Hissar. The Bombay Humanitarian League undertook cattle relief through Mr. Mankar, who promptly organised relief saving about 10,000 cows, most of which now being given free to poor cultivators with fodder till June 30, which will cost Rs. 20,000.

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Our Readers' Views

Scouting In Madras

To The Editor of The "Chronicle"

Sir,—Affairs in Madras seem to have reached a head. The disaffiliated Boy Scout Association of Madras which was the first to break away from the Baden-Powell Headquarters at Delhi and started off on its own as an independent organisation, and which carried on a considerable flirtation with the other provinces and the Seva Samiti organisations to form a Federation of Associations on a national basis, has as already reported in this magazine turned a somersault and let down the National aspirations of the Country. In the early days of the struggle, Mr. K. Sanjiva Kamath the Provincial Secretary of Madras and a veteran worker in the Movement, carried his Council and his country with him in giving a great lead in the nationalisation of the Movement in India. He probably expected that Madras would always lead and stay in the vanguard in this revolt. His intention now appears to have been only to lighten the exceedingly conservative Delhi Headquarters of the Baden-Powell organisation, out of their self-complacency, dictate terms to it and rule it with a heavy rod from the Lady Wenlock Park Headquarters at Madras. However, when the other provinces took up the revolt in earnest and particularly Bombay actually inaugurated the Hindustan Scout Association for the Presidency anticipating the formation of an All-India Organisation, Mr. Sanjiva Kamath seems to have been taken aback at the trend of events which would, instead of placing Madras in the vanguard put it back in almost exactly the same place that it occupied before its revolt. One fine morning the public of the country were surprised at the overtures that the Madras Organisation had made to the till now discredited Delhi Headquarters proposing reaffiliation with the old guard in spite of the fact that the Delhi Headquarters, though now disaffiliated from the Imperial Body, still continued to be dominated by non-Indian and political influences at the top and there was no intention on its part of any change in heart towards nationalistic the Movement. Pourparlers followed between the Madras leaders and the mainstays of the Delhi Headquarters. Demands and counter-demands seem to have been made, and an agreement seems to have been reached, as a recent statement in the papers seems to indicate. Evidently both Delhi and Madras seem to have heaved a great sigh of relief.

But, Mr. Kamath seems to have made a grievous error. In fact, he counted without the host. The great public of Madras who so trustingly looked to its Provincial Headquarters, saw that this trust was misplaced. When all the provinces had declared unequivocally in support of the Hindustan Scout Association, and Madras alone was carrying on negotiations for merger with the Baden-Powell Headquarters, the people had to sit up and take stock. The local Seva Samiti branch had long ago decided to join the Hindustan Scout Association. The Municipal Corporation was with them and the whole presidency was expectantly waiting for the Provincial Headquarters to follow too.

Dr. Arundale, the Provincial Commissioner of the Hindustan Scout Association, Madras had done all in his power to accommodate the Madras Headquarters if they would only join the National Headquarters of the Hindustan Scout Association, and he too was compelled finally to give up the efforts in disgust. It is true that Mr. Kamath was loudly appealing for unity. But his ideas of unity seemed to be to call upon the other nationalistic Associations to give up their independent entity and merge into his Association, while his own Association continued to flirt with the Baden-Powell Association, which the whole country had discarded, and national interests in Scouting were nowhere in sight. The long patience of the public was overstrained and when Pandit S. R. Bajpai, the National Organising Commissioner toured the country last September from end to end, the Local Bodies and the general public of the Province, knew for the first time how matters stood. Everywhere prominent people of the districts came forward spontaneously with their support for the Hindustan Scout Association. It is significant that when Dr. B. H. Mehta, Member of the Provincial Scout Council of Bombay and the National Headquarters Council toured Madras very recently, he found that 22 out of 24 District Associations and several Public, Municipal and other Bodies had wholeheartedly declared in favour of the Hindustan Scout Association.

It is rather strange that the Government of Madras have been rather silent in the matter of their recognition to the Hindustan Scout Association there, while the Governments of U. P., C. P., and Bombay have already given generous grants to the Hindustan Scout Association. At the last Conference of the Premiers held in Bombay, I believe it was decided that in all the Congress-provinces, the Hindustan Scout Association should be recognised as the National Scout organisation in the Province. Perhaps, the Madras Ministry still hoped that Sir M. Venkatsubba Rao, the Provincial Commissioner of the Boy Scouts Association, would stick to the sentiments he gave expression to in the early days of the struggle. It is not very edifying that a person of such a great status and position should so unwisely go back on the splendid statements regarding nationalisation of the Movement that he had made only a couple of years ago. What is perhaps most unfortunate is the reactionary step taken by an undoubted veteran of the Movement, Mr. K. Sanjiva Kamath, who has helped so much in building up the movement not only in Madras but in the great States of Mysore and Hyderabad. We would very much wish to see Mr. Kamath conform himself to the expressed desire of national India, discarding the reactionary thoughts that have recently obsessed him. Is it too much to hope that Mr. Sanjiva Kamath may yet come forward boldly to join the Hindustan Scout Association and help the Scouting of national India to take its proper place among the Scout Organisations of the World? We know that Dr. Arundale would only be too happy to extend to him a hearty and unreserved welcome.—Yours, etc.

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"International Bank Of India"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—The prospectus of the International Bank of India Ltd., to which widespread publicity has been given raises issues of great public importance.

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The Managing Governor who is already an active member of the firm of Managing Agents of the Warden Insurance Co. Ltd. is under his agreement with the bank entitled to do any other trade or business with the consent of the Board. This provision does not ensure for the Bank the services of a full-time executive head, which is undesirable assuming that Mr. Thakkar is otherwise qualified to act as Managing Governor of a Bank. The other provision in the agreement which deserves consideration is Clause 9 which provides that if Mr. Thakkar ceases to be the Managing Governor from any cause "the Company is to continue his employment as one of the principal executive officers of the Company upon the same terms and conditions as to remuneration, powers and duties as in the agreement with liberty to the Company to give him such designation as it may decide." To say that the Managing Governor would be entitled to the same remuneration and powers even though he may cease to act as such from any cause is rather understandable. Whatever may be the implications of the provision one thing is clear, viz., that the Bank would be bound to retain Mr. Thakkar in its service for 15 years in some form or another.

The Agreement with the Managing Director, Mr. S. H. Thaker contains similar provisions as those noticed above.

The creation of two separate offices for Messrs Thakkar and Thaker in respect of the same managerial functions, the allotment to them of the deferred shares with disproportionate voting rights and the Bank's obligation to continue these gentlemen in its employ for at least 15 years seem to leave little doubt that an attempt has been made to impose upon the Bank the Managing Agency System which is now prohibited in the case of banks, although in a different garb.—Yours, etc.,

J. J. KAPADIA.

Bombay, May 26.

Indians In Burma

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I have no doubt that the Riot Enquiry Report—Burma, has already come under your attention. I am glad to think that in the main, the information our deputation to H. E. The Viceroy at Simla, placed before the people of India, has been proved to be correct. The findings of the Committee clearly state that adequate safety and security of life and property was not given to the Indians. Under these circumstances, two claims are made by us—firstly that adequate safety and security be secured to us in the future, and secondly that failure to give that adequate safety and security makes the Government of Burma liable to pay compensation for loss of life and property to Indians.

The question of compensation is one of principle. Is a British subject of one unit of the Commonwealth residing in another unit liable to receive compensation for loss of life, and property or not? A foreigner would be so entitled. In the past I believe the Government of India has paid such compensation to British subjects.

We do not desire to create more bad blood between ourselves and the Burmese people, but we are also certain that we cannot live in this country and carry on our trade and avocations unless the Burmese pepole are made to realise that they cannot do with us as they please, and that responsibility rests with the Government of Burma on our behalf.

I need not point to you the distressing circumstances of Indian overseas, and unless a strong stand is made now, when our case is so strongly justified the position of overseas Indian will become impossible—Yours etc.

S. A. S. TYABJI,
Chairman, Central Relief Committee.

Latrines In Third Class Compartments

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Railway Companies in India have been providing latrines with water supply in third class carriages for more than twenty years now. But it seems that they have not yet been able to find out the right model on which they should be constructed. It would take considerable space if all the different patterns of latrines and taps, together with their various arrangements were to be described. There are latrins of various designs, as also taps of various devices. Indeed, in a South Indian Railway I had the misfortune of having a latrine in which the water had to be pumped up with both the hands. Then in some the taps are in front of the user, in others to the right or to the left, and there are several in which they are placed even on the back. Again, in some the taps are close to the level of the seat, while I have also come across taps nearly four feet high. Where two taps are provided, the other one is often so placed that the user must be prepared to have a good splash. It seems that the matter has not been carefully studied yet from the point of view of the passenger. I was, therefore, much pleased to come across a latrine, which could be recommended as a fairly satisfactory model. It was in the compartment No. A 2341 of the East India Railway. If the front tap therein is lowered by about four inches, (that is, kept at a height of about six or seven inches from the level of the seat) and the stool-hole is made oval shaped (9" x 7"), with such proper indication of the position which the user must take that even a rustic could understand it, that latrine would be a good model for others to follow.

I hope that the Railway Advisory Boards will study this subject.—Yours, etc.

K. G. MASHRUWALA.

Wardha, May 19.

'All-India Haj Conference'

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I have read with interest in your to-day's issue the letter written by "Anti-Humbug" in connection with the forthcoming so-called All India Haj Conference I was myself surprised on hearing the news that an All India Haj Conference is to be held in Bombay and on enquiries made I found that the so-called All India Haj Conference is being held under the auspices of the "All India Haj Pilgrims Advisory Committee" of 3rd Sankli Street, Bombay, whose founders, members and sole proprietors are Messrs. Abdul Baree, Mir Asghar Ali and Mohamad Ahsan. It is very surprising indeed that a Conference with such a high--sounding name be held without any previous announcement or without the help of the official bodies such as the Haj Committees and under the circumstances, I beg to inform the public and the authorities that this Conference is in no sense a representative Conference of the Musalmans of India and any resolutions passed or opinions expressed in this conference will in no way be the considered opinion of the Muslims of India. I hope the Haj Committees will declare openly that they have nothing to do with so-called Conference and that the Muslim public will boycott this Conference.— Yours, etc.,

ABDUL GANI ABDUL SHAKOOR,
Hon. Secretary,
Mahfil-e-Muarenn-e-Hujjaj.

Bombay, May 26.

II

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—I have just read the news of an All India Haj Conference to be held in Bombay on the 29th instant. It is surprising that so-called conference to discuss such an important problem which affects thousands of Muslims of India every year should be held at such a short notice. It is still a secret as to what points are going to be discussed at this Conference but I presume that the most important point of the moment is the rate war between the shipping companies which will be discussed at this Conference. I, therefore, in the interest of the pilgrims beg to draw the attention of those concerned to the recommendations of the Haj Enquiry Committee, 1929, which was appointed by the Government of India and which after a careful and minute consideration of the whole problem has recommended fixation of a uniform economic and stable rates for the passages to the Hedjaz. Even the late Maulana Shaukat Ali, while giving evidence before this Enquiry Committee, expressed his opinion that fluctuations in rates of the tickets always resulted in untold hardships to the pilgrims and as such, he recommended fixation of a uniform rate. I, therefore, appeal to the authorities to support this well-considered opinion of the Haj Enquiry Committee on which the Government of India had to spend thousands of rupees. —Yours, etc.,

M. Y. MERCHANT.

Bombay, May 26.

Security From "Navajyoti"

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—The Chief Commissioner of Ajmer-Merwara has been pleased to demand security of Rs. 1,500 from the "Navajyoti," a nationalist Hindi weekly of Ajmer. The sum is to be deposited by the 23rd May 1939. A security to the amount of Rs. 3,000 was demanded from the same paper in October last. Both the actions have been taken under the Indian Press (Emergency Powers) Act XXIII of 1931. The cause for the latest action arose from an article contributed by Pandit Chandra Bhanu Sharma, a member of the A.I.C.C. on the recent firing by the Jaipur police on a Muslim crowd, in the issue of the "Navajyoti" dated the 6th February, 1939. It is alleged that the article offended against clauses (h) and (j) of sub-section (1) of sec. 4 of the said Act. The funniest part of the affair is that the basis of action is not the article as a whole, but to quote the official words, 'an abstract translation' of the article. It is needless to comment on the merits of a rendering which is a mass of errors and fragments placed together in an uncouth fashion. Even, as it is, by no stretch of imagination can it be said that it arouses communal discord. A mere perusal of the official translation will confirm this opinion. And if preaching a change in the existing form of Government in the States is an offence, then Good-Bye to all Journalism and for that matter, all public life, so far as the States are concerned.

But the real cause for the action lies elsewhere. For several reasons, the "Navajyoti" is an eyesore to the Ajmer bureaucrats. Firstly, it is a severe critic of the one man's rule still obtaining in this province. Secondly, the searchlight of its comments and the publicity on the high-handedness prevailing in several departments of the local administration, is highly unpalatable to the powers-that-be. Thirdly, there being no daily press in Rajputana, it is the chief weekly which exposes the doings of the political officers and educates public opinion on sound lines in the States. Fourthly, it is edited by Syt. Ram Narayan Chaudhary, a prominent Congressman, whose speeches and activities, have long been an anathema to the sundried bureaucrats. They pity is that instead of taking the straight course of a judicial prosecution, they make it a point to abuse their executive powers.—Yours, etc.,

DEEN DAYAL, 'DINESH,'
Published & Assistant Editor,
"Navajyoti."

Ramdurg Tragedy

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

Sir,—Several articles have till now appeared in the press, giving both statements of occurrences and the views of individuals thereon, in regard to the tragic happenings at Ramdurg. I think that it is not proper to express any views allocating the share in the blame to either party before all the facts concerning the occurrences and the background thereto have been revealed by an impartial enquiry. Of the different views that have found expression in the Press, one is to the effect that even an enquiry is not necessary! But I have to say that there are certain salient features constituting the background to these occurrences and these features have nowhere been touched by any of the articles that have been published. I consider it essential that these salient features should also be placed before the public for the appreciation of the facts in their proper perspective.

2. The facts that there was was change in the Diwanship of the State only one month before the tragic happenings and that the Diwan displaced (Rao Bahadur K. V. Koundinya, M.B.E., a retired Deputy Collector of 35 years' experience) was one who was present during the recent compromise between the Ruler and the subjects and that nevertheless that Diwan was relieved of his duties the very next day of the compromise have nowhere found expression in the so many articles that have appeared in the press. I have reliable information to show that the strengthening of the State Police and also the creation of a new appointment of D. S. P. almost coincided with the change in the Diwanship and these prominent circumstances give strong reasons for holding an impartial enquiry into the background to the occurrences, no less than into the actual occurrences themselves.—Yours, etc.,

AN ONLOOKER.

Over-Crowding In Trains

To The Editor of "The Chronicle"

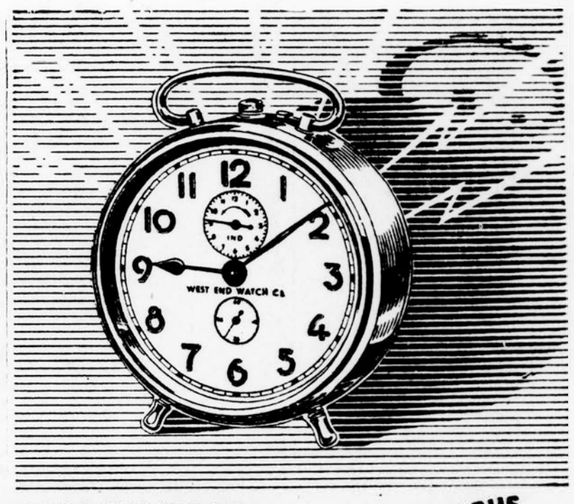
Sir,—When, the old Steam service run by the B. B. & C. I. Rly., Co., was replaced by the present Electric service, it was expected that the new Electric service would be more speedy in reaching the destination, and more comfortable as regards sitting accommodation.

It appears that each train service was carefully organised by the Railway Authorities, and a sufficient number of rakes was provided. In the early years, each double-unit train had eight Rakes (Inclusive of I & II) and third class Rake, provided sitting accommodation for 110 and 118 passengers in each Rake of a particular type. Of late, this arrangement seems to have been changed; and there are at present seven Rakes (Inclusive of I & II) and the number of the III Class passengers to be accommodated in each III class Rake is increased by 53 and 64, that is 163 and 182, in each Rake of a particular type. It is not understood why this change has been effected; when, as the authorities are fully aware, travelling by Railway has enormously increased; nor can it be understood, on what basis the new sitting arrangement has been arrived at! This change has added to the difficulties of the travelling public on the B. B. & C. I. Rly. The present increase in the number of passengers to be accommodated, has brought about a serious position to be very carefully and sympathetically considered by the Railway Authorities.

As it is, people are travelling in over-crowded compartments closely packed to suffocation. Also instances may be brought to the notice of the Railway Authorities, that on account of over-crowding, parents are often separated from their children, left crying on platforms.

Will the Railway Authorities and the Advisory Board, look into this grievance of the III Class passengers?.—Yours, etc.

C. M. PARIKH.



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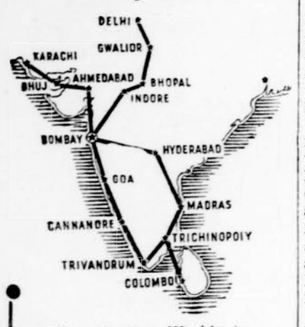

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Europe From The North

NAZIS' PREPARATORY MOVE

BY BJORN THORVASSEN

(Our Scandinavian Correspondent)

The countries of the Scandinavian bloc have recently been confronted with a dilemma by Hitler. He offered them a non-aggression pact, "on appropriate conditions" to be settled in negotiation in Berlin.

With the memory of Schuschnigg's, Chamberlain's and Hacha's visits to Hitler for "negotiations," Norway, Sweden and Finland have courteously declined the offer, stating their unshakable determination to preserve neutrality and avoid entanglements. Denmark alone, weakening under fear of her mighty neighbour, decided to negotiate.

Observers in Stockholm, who have for years watched Nazi politics from an angle not vouchsafed to Paris or London, regret intensely this break in the northern front, and prophesy disaster for the Danes. Norway is tightening up her coastal defences, in view of the numerous "fishing vessels" from German ports which have been cruising in the fjords lately. Sweden is strengthening her garrisons and fortified lines guarding her vast iron-fields, which the German war machine covets as a reserve in case of a blocade by the British Fleet.

Information has reached Government circles in Stockholm and Oslo that the political school of the University in Berlin has been conducting lectures on the Germanisation of Scandinavia; the lecturer declared that intervention by the Fuehrer in the North would soon be necessary to purge those countries of Bolshevist influence. Sweden, he maintained, is part of the old Germanic Empire.

This preparatory move is all the more alarming here in view of the recent speech by Rosenberg throwing over the Nazi slogan "Ein Volk, Ein Reich" and taking up the concept of the Holy Empire of Charlemagne and Barbarossa. Were it not for the extraordinary attitude of London to the fate of the Spanish Republic, we should think it unnecessary to speak of the link between our fate and that of the West. Sweden offers Hitler the best iron in Europe. Norway, Denmark and Iceland would place in his hands bases as perfect for cutting the North Atlantic shipping routes as Spain does for the Middle Atlantic and the Mediterranean.

None are so blind as those who will not see.

Fear Of Hitler's Generals

(Our Central European correspondent explains that this is one of many attempts to convey indirect warning to the German Army and people, on the part of high military experts).

Lieut.-General Horst Von Metzsch, leading German military authority, has caused a sensation in military circles by his "treatise on military politics" just published, in which he says Germany could not yet win a war.

He says that Germany's only hope of winning would lie in a short "lightning" war, but declares there is little possibility of war in Europe being a short one. He adds: "War is always a jump into the dark. It is not possible to do anything more than reckon up probabilities.

"If Germany's armed forces cannot bring about a quick decision by a knock-out blow Germany will lose any war. We can see our salvation only in having the stronger striking force never in the 'longer breath.'

"We must, therefore, not give the world another chance to make us expend our punching force without reaching a decision, and then succumb to a superior military-economic power of endurance.

"A short war must be aimed at but it is naturally uncertain. It would, however, be just as irresponsible to deny the German hopes of a war period of a bearable length, as it would be certain to consider a short period of war as certain. But nothing must be left undone in order to protect Germany from the suffocating long war."

A few pages later General von Metzsch says that it is the aim of Germany's military policy to oppose the "hopeless economic war" with "superior force." He says: "As soon as maritime Powers participate in a war, a long war must be reckoned with. Naval wars are always long."

General von Metzsch states that Germany to-day, as far as the strength of her army goes, is far behind the standard of 1914, because general conscription has been in force only four years now. He adds: "It will be about twenty-five years before the striking force of the army can reach its peak."

He preaches the totalitarian war with no consideration for methods of humanisation, except those dictated by military efficacy.

He rejects the theory that a future war will be won in the air, and claims that the infantry as in the past will have the main work

A warning is given against the unrestricted use of the air weapon for bombing civilian populations. General von Metzsch says: "The spiritual resistance of the population against bomb attacks is astonishingly great."

Concerning A. R. P. he writes: "The civil air defence will have done its duty if bomb attacks meet brave and disciplined people who know how to avoid panic, worst of all enemies of resistance."

He says that war "reveals all bluff and self-delusion" and insists that the "spirit and soul of a nation" is in the long run more important than weapons and mechanisation.

The next war, he declares, will be won by the nation with the strongest nerves and character, and adds, resignedly, "There is only one success in war—that is victory."

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LAUGHING AT IT ALL

Since Dr. Goebbels put his ban on Warner Finck, most famous of Berlin humourists, German comedians have been hard put to it to raise laughs. The compere at the Berlin Scala the other night told a story which was considered very daring. It ran. An advertisement was inserted in a Viennese paper in the following terms:—"Lost—an African grey talking parrot. Reward if returned. Owner no longer shares political views of parrot."

It had the success of the evening.

GANDEVI MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

Forces Of Reaction Routed

(From Our Correspondent.)

GANDEVI, May. 23.

The Municipal election this time created great interest. There was a keen contest in two of the eight wards. In all the principal towns of the Prant, Navsari, Billimora, and Gandevi the elections were fixed for the 22nd, and cars were seen plying to long distances. Polling booths were thronged by voters and agents and workers of the candidates.

Out of eight wards, six seats went uncontested while two were contested. In Ward No. 3 there were two candidates Messrs. Ramchandra Vinayak Joshi and Nanubhai Narbheram who formed formidable rivals while in Ward No. 5 Messrs. Chhotalal Kashidas and Khusalbhai were the rivals. In challenging the earstwhile President Nanubhai, Ramchandra Joshi was said to be challenging the forces of reaction and had to put up a hard fight. The ballot-box declared Mr. Nanubhai Vaidya defeated. His defeat was taken as the defeat of forces of reaction.

In the other ward Mr. Khusalbhai, a member of a backward community was declared successful.

RADICAL LEAGUE IN AHMEDABAD

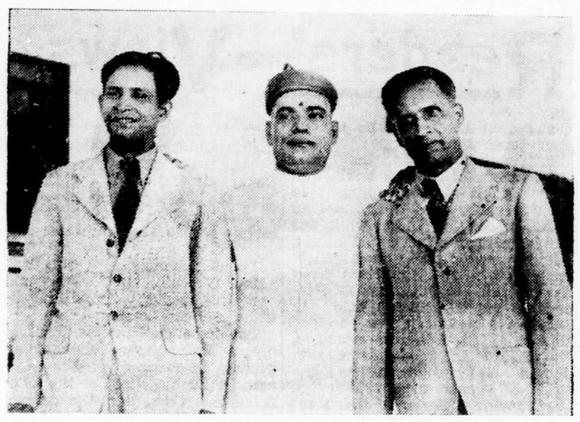
(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, (By Mail.)

At a meeting of the radically minded Congressmen of Gujarat, it was decided to form the Gujarat League of Radical Congressmen. The meeting discussed the manifesto of the League issued by Com. M. N. Roy.

The League has resolved to fight authoritarianism and constitutionalism in the Congress. A committee consisting of Miss Jayama Dave, Thakore Prasad Pandya, S. Roy, Niranjan Pathak, Champaklal Bhatt, Ambalal Patel, Dasharathlal Thake was found to carry on the organisational work of the League.

It was further decided to hold Gujarat Radical Congressmen's Conference at an early date. Com. M. N. Roy, Tyab Sheik or A. K. Pillay, Bar-at-Law, will be invited to preside over the Conference.



Messrs. Aftab Ali, Dahanukar and Nimbkar, Indian delegates to the International Labour Conference at Geneva who left by the Italian boat.

Concession Of Price Rebates

Inferior Holders Denied Benefit: Instructions To Dist. Collectors

The Public Relations Officer, Bombay, writes:—

Government has on inquiry noticed that in some cases the concession of price rebates sanctioned by it has not been extended to the inferior holders in as full a measure as was contemplated. Government has accordingly directed the Collectors of the districts to issue orders immediately under Section 84-A of the Land Revenue Code extending the benefits of price rebates to the inferior holders by all superior holders including talukdars, khots and inamdars in the following manner:—

(a) In the case of inferior holders paying rent of an amount less than twice the assessment, they should be entitled to a rebate of as many annas in the rupee of rent as is granted to the superior holder in the rupee of assessment. Thus where the rent is equal to 1-1/4, 1-1/2 or 1-3/4 times the assessment and a rebate of 2 annas in the rupee has been granted to the superior holder the rebate to which the inferior holder will be entitled would come to 2 annas in the rupee of rent payable by him.

(b) In the case of inferior holders paying rent equal to or exceeding twice the assessment, they should be entitled to a rebate equal to double the amount that is granted to the superior holder in case of land in respect of which full assessment is payable to Government by the superior holder or that would have been granted to him in case of land in respect of which no assessment or an amount less than full assessment is payable to Government by the superior holder. Thus where a rebate of 2 annas in the rupee has been granted to the holder of an inam village and the assessment on a survey No. is Rs. 4, judi Re. 1, and rent payable Rs. 9, the rebate to the inferior holder will be Re. 1, i.e., double two annas in the rupee of assessment which is Rs. 4 and not that of judi which is Re. 1 only.

The Collectors of the districts have been directed to see that the above orders are strictly enforced and that instances of the breach of their orders under Section 84-A are suitably dealt with under Sub-Section (4) and (5) of that Section.

CHIPLUN NEWS

(From Our Correspondent.)

CHIPLUN, May 22.

The Election of the President of the Chiplun Municipality is going to take place on 24th, Mr. B. G. Khatu, a pleader, has every chance of being elected. It is understood that the election will be uncontested.

This year the mango crop is large. Both Alphonso and Pairi are being sold at the cheapest rates. As the Bombay market is reported to be dull, the mango merchants are trying to dispose of their stock.

It is very hot here. The skies are also cloudy. Some showers are expected before the season commences.

The Civil Court opens to-day. Mr. M. J. Merchant the Sub-Judge, is transferred to Andheri. No new appointment is yet made. Mr. Merchant will hand over charge on 5th June.

The case against 17 persons is still pending in the Court of the Sub-District Magistrate S. D. They are charged for rioting on the occasion of the last Dahikala-Gokulashtmi. Though nearly a year has passed the case is not even half complete.

PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAX

Govt.'s Assurance

The following Press "communique" has been issued by the Property Owners' Association on the interview granted to a deputation of the association by the Finance and Revenue Ministers, Bombay.

It is stated that this account has been authorised by Government.

A deputation of the Property Owners' Association, consisting of Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji, President, Mr. Abdul Rahman Mahomed Yusuf, Vice-President, Mr. Siddick Sulaiman and Mr. S. B. Goregaokar, Joint Honorary Secretaries waited on Wednesday on the Finance Minister, the Hon Mr. Latthe, and the Revenue Minister, the Hon. Mr. Morarji Desai, with a view to putting forward two requests.

Firstly, they suggested that, in order to settle the legal controversy as quickly as possible, the provincial Government might refer the matter to the proper tribunal for judicial determination of the legality of the new property tax.

The Ministers referred to the Press Note recently issued and said they could not possibly accede to this suggestion, as, in their opinion, administration would be impossible if a Government were to suspend the collection of a tax imposed by the legislature merely because litigation was impending.

QUESTION OF REFUND.

The deputation then asked whether in case the tax were held "ultra vires." Government would refund it to those who had paid it. The Ministers gave the assurance that if it was held that the tax was beyond the competence of the provincial Government the amounts paid by the property owners would be refunded to them by the provincial Government. If, however, it was determined that the tax was invalid on any other grounds which could be met by validating legislation, the provincial Government would undertake legislation validating the tax retrospectively in which case the amounts paid would not be refunded.

AWAKENING AMONG BHILS

Dhadgaon Conference Resolutions

(From A Correspondent.)

DHULIA, May 22.

A Conference of Bhils, Pawaras and other aboriginals in the hilly tracts of the Tapti Valley and the Satpura Hills was held at Dhadgaon, a hilly station under the presidentship of Mr. Shrikant Shet M.L.A., Vice-President of the Dohad Bhil-Seva-Mandal. Illiteracy and drink were the two curses amongst these aboriginals, the latter of which, viz., the drink evil has now been completely eradicated by the efforts of the Bhil Saint the late Gulam Maharaj and now reinforced by the Congress Government by declaring the area completely dry.

About eight hundred Bhils and aboriginals together with a hundred prominent workers from all over the district attended. Prominent amongst those who attended were Mr. Barve, president Maharashtra P. Harijan Sevak Sangh, Mr. Naval Patil, President D. C. C. Messrs. Thakar, Shroff and Bhalubhai Mehta of the Bhil Seva Mandal, Messrs. Kantilal Gujarathi, Bhavsar and others. The session was also attended by Excise and Revenue district officials and Mr. M. B. Patel, M.L.A. The session was held under a tree and was opened by welcome songs by small boys and girls after which Mr. Apsing Ana Pavara, Chairman of the Reception Committee, delivered his welcome speech wherein he stressed the necessity of such a Conference. His speech was followed by the Presidential address, which discussed the whole question of Bhils in full.

Resolutions seeking to improve the lot of the Bhils and other aboriginals' and suggesting many new departures from their routines were passed.

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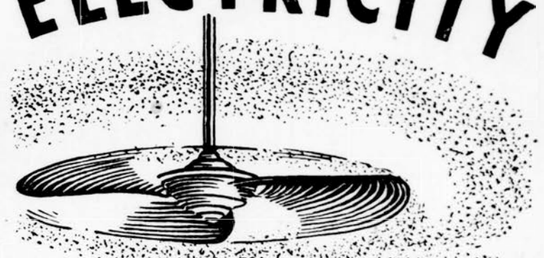

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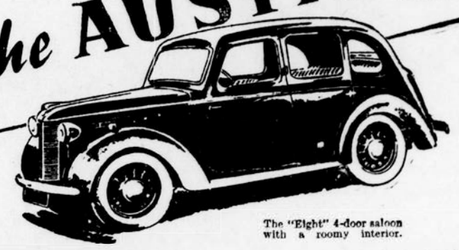

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Transport Worker's Union

The Secretary of the Bombay Transport Workers' Union writes:

The Bombay Transport Workers' Union held its general meeting at Thana under the presidentship of Mr Jhabwalla on Monday evening. Mr. Jhabwalla has also had a long interview with the District Superintendent of Police and Mr. Reynolds, Deputy Commissioner of Police in connection with Transport Workers' grievances.

At the meeting a resolution was passed deciding that the grievances of the men as regards the mismanagement at the hands of the police taxation, registration, closing of roads, etc., should be informed to the Government and agitation should be made to remove the same.

QUARANTINE RESTRICTIONS IN CEYLON

The following Press Note has been issued:—

Intimation has been received in the office of the Public Health Commissioner with the Government of India from the Director, League of Nations, Eastern Bureau, Singapore, that the Ceylon Government have withdrawn the special quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Bombay on account of smallpox.

Trade And Finance

Sharp Recovery In Gilt-Edged Market

Steady Tendency On Stock Exchange

GOLD AND SILVER STEADY

Weekly Market Reviews

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, May 26.

SHARES.

The share market ruled very steady during the week following encouraging advices and an improvement in prices in foreign markets. Towards the close, however, there was heavy profit-taking in the steel group following rumour of some labour trouble at Jamshedpur and prices fell heavily alround.

Tata Iron and Steel Deferreds, which had improved from Rs. 1332-8 to Rs. 1400, fell briskly to Rs. 1315 at the close, whilst Ordinaries, after touching Rs. 291 on Thursday, closed lower at Rs. 282. The Textile group displayed good strength during the week in sympathy with Steels, but reacted and closed lower. Bombay Dyeings improved from Rs. 751-4 to Rs. 763-12, Central Indias gained from Rs. 208 to Rs. 213 and Centuries went ahead from Rs. 206-8 to Rs. 211-8, but declined and closed at Rs. 753-12, Rs. 210 and Rs. 208 respectively. Colaba Lands, however, ranged narrowly between Rs. 110-8 and Rs. 107, whilst Gokaks were done at Rs. 128. Kohinoors improved to Rs. 221-8, and New Greats to Rs. 189, but ruled easier at the close at Rs. 218 and Rs. 186-8 respectively.

THE HYDRO ELECTRIC GROUP.

The Hydro-electric group of shares ruled fairly steady in sympathy with gilt-edged; Andhra valleys improved from Rs. 1415 to Rs. 1440 and Tata Powers gained well over 35 points from Rs. 1260 to Rs. 1295, closing slightly lower at Rs. 1435 and Rs. 1277-8 respectively. Tata Hydros were fairly steady around Rs. 151-8 and Bombay Trams around Rs. 127-8. Bank and Railway issues were firm in sympathy with the rest of the market; Bank of Indias ruling steady around Rs. 141 and Central Banks around Rs. 32-10. Bank of Barodas, on the other hand, declined briskly from Rs. 112-8 to Rs. 105 on reports of an increase of capital by the Bank. Imperial Bank Fully Paids, after ruling steady around Rs. 1530, rose to Rs. 1545 at the close, whilst Partly Paids were done at Rs. 375-10, Reserve Banks showed little or no change around Rs. 111-8. Ahmed. Prantij Rlys were in fair request at Rs. 1000, but Tapti Valleys were inclined to be offered at Rs. 763-12. In the miscellaneous group, Associated Cements were strong on continued investment demand, the quotation rising from Rs. 121-12 to Rs. 128-4 at the close, whilst Bombay Burmas gradually improved from Rs. 458 to Rs. 468, but reacted and closed at Rs. 460. Belapurs ranged narrowly between Rs. 182 and Rs. 178 and Scindia Steam between Rs. 18-5 and Rs. 17-13.

MONEY.

The short-term money market continued to be well supplied with funds with the result that the call money rate did not exceed 1 per cent. during the period under report.

The statement of the Reserve Bank of India compiled upto 19th may 1939 records a decline of Rs. 140.61 lacs in the active note circulation and a decrease of Rs. 26.08 lacs in the Rupee Coin in circulation. Balances held abroad are down by Rs. 163.96 lacs, whereas Bank Deposits are up by Rs. 127.07 lacs. Government Deposits, however, are down by Rs. 269.78 lacs.

IMPERIAL BANK.

The statement of the Imperial Bank of India made upto the same date reveals an increase of Rs. 107.23 lacs in the Bank's Investment Portfolio and Advances are down by Rs. 122.07 lacs. The Cash Balance of the Bank is up by Rs. 41.19 lacs, whilst Deposits are up by 13.30 lacs.

TREASURY BILLS.

Tenders to Government for three months' Treasury Bills on the 23rd of May amounted to Rs. 5.70 crores, whereof Rs. 2 crores were accepted, the average rate of acceptance being Rs. 1-10-11 per cent. per annum as against Rs. 1-15-2 per cent. in the preceding week. Maturities amounted to Rs. 3.42 crores resulting in a net influx of funds to the extent of Rs. 1.42 crores in the market. Fixed deposits were placeable at 1-1/4 to 1-1/2 per cent. for three and six months.

GILT-EDGED.

There was a sharp recovery in gilt-edged values following further easiness in the European political situation. Considerable investment demand was in evidence in the London market, where both home and Indian stocks rose appreciably with the result that rupee securities ruled firm with few sellers in dated bonds. 3-1/2 per cent. India Sterling Stock gained from £83 to £86-1/2, whilst 3-1/2 per cent. Rupee Paper advanced from Rs. 96-3 to Rs. 97-2 at the close. The gap, which was as wide as 14 points last week, has narrowed to about 11 points owing more to a sharp improvement in the Sterling Stock than in the Rupee Paper. Other dated bonds also met with fair inquiry; 2-3/4 per cent. 1948-52 loan moved up from Rs. 97-8 to Rs. 98-10, 3 per cent. 1941 bonds from Rs. 101-15 to Rs. 102-1 and 3 per cent. 1951-54 loan from Rs. 98-8 to Rs. 99-10. 3-1/2 per cent. 1947-50 loan was done at Rs. 103-10, whereas 4 per cent. 1943 bonds were in request at Rs. 107-4 and 4-1/2 per cent. 1955-60 loan at Rs. 114-8. 4 per cent. 1960-70 loan gained well over a rupee from Rs. 109-10 to Rs. 110-14, whilst 5 per cent. 1940-43 loan was quoted at Rs. 103-11. 5 per cent. 1945-55 (tax free) loan changed hands at Rs. 114 and 3 per cent. 1963-65 loan at Rs. 96-11.

EXCHANGE.

Sterling exchange opened quiet, sellers of spot T. T. quoting 1s. 5-27/32d. with buyers at 1s. 5-7/8d. But after mid-week. the market turned steadier on some showing of merchandise export bills. At the lower level and the closing quotations were 1s. 5-55/64d. and 1s. 5-57/64d. for sellers and buyers respectivelv.

Among the foreign exchange in London, activity was reported to be at a very low ebb. The sterling/dollar cross-rate. after opening at 468.12 cents, remained pegged around this level until mid-week and advanced thereafter to 468.25 cents, closing at 468.21 cents. The premium on three months' forward dollars. after touching 1.46 cents mid-week. narrowed and closed at 1.40 cents. The sterling/franc rate varied between frs. 176.69 and frs. 176.73, but the discount on three months' forward francs narrowed from frs. 0.340 to frs. 0.180, closing at frs. 0.210. Other European currencies also remained practically unchanged in terms of sterling, while the Shanghai dollar and the yen remained pegged around 8d. and 1s. 2d. throughout.

GOLD.

Owing to the quieter tendency in the rupee/sterling exchange, gold turned steady during the week, the spot quotation rising from Rs. 37-1-6 to Rs. 37-2-3 on Saturday, but at the close the rate declined to Rs 37-2. June settlement gold was quoted at a premium of 3 pies over spot, while July settlement stood six pies over June. Gold purchases by the Reserve Bank of India are estimated by the market at about 16,000 ounces and in addition to this a fair amount of export business was reported In London, spot gold opened at 148s. 6d. and after declining to 148s. 5d. improved and closed at 148s. 5-1/2d. while the premium of gold over the arbitrage parity varied between half a penny and nothing. The price of spot sovereigns improved to Rs. 23-11 mid-week, but declined at the close to Rs. 23-10-6. Floating stocks of gold are estimated at about 40,000 tolas, arrivals from upcountry at about 10,000 tolas a day and the daily offtake 1,500 tolas. Gold bullion and coins worth Rs. 200,975 were imported during the week, whilst last week's shipment to London per s.s. Narkunda is valued at Rs. 35,56,-383. Gold to the tune of Rs. 14,55,903 has also gone forward to New York per Pres. Van Buren. The highest and lowest rates recorded during the week were Rs 37-2-3 and Rs. 37-1-6 for spot Rs. 37-2-6 and Rs. 37-1-9 for June settlement and Rs. 37-3 and 37-2-3 for July settlement.

SILVER.

Narrow fluctuations and small turnover characterised the silver market during the week. Spot silver, after opening at Rs. 52-13-6, advanced to Rs. 52-15 and closed at Rs. 52-14. June settlement was quoted at a discount of half an anna under spot whilst July settlement silver stood at 2 annas 3 pies under the spot rate. In London, the quotation for spot silver, after opening at 20-1/8d., gradually declined and closed at 20d., while the discount on two months' forward delivery was stationary around 3/16d. throughout. Stocks of silver are estimated at 2,500 bars, while the offtake averages about 50 bars a day. 930 bars of silver bullion were imported during the week, whilst silver coins to the value of Rs. 27,850 were also imported. Yesterday's arrivals are estimated at about £172,000, whilst silver worth £117,200 is en route to Bombay. The Highest and lowest rates recorded during the week were: Rs. 53 and Rs. 52-13 for spot, Rs. 52-15-6 and Rs. 52-13 for June settlement and Rs. 52-13-6 and Rs. 52-11-6 for July settlement.

CALCUTTA.

The price of hessians for forward delivery declined from Rs. 9-11 to Rs. 9-6-6, but improved and closed at Rs. 9-8, whilst Jute shares were characterised by dull conditions, most prices suffering considerable losses.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

Bombay, May 26

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES	
3 1/2 per cent paper	96/7
4 per cent 1950/70	111
5 per cent 1945/55	114
BANKS	
Bank of Baroda	106/4
Bank of Hindusthan	27/4
Bank of India	141
Central Bank	32/10
Imperial Bank F P	1545
Imperial Bank P P	375/10
Indian Overseas Bank	46/8
Reserve Bank	111/8
Union Bank	6/2
TEXTILES	
Ahmd New Textiles	357/8
Ambica	261/4
Arun	220
Arvind	1085
Asok	195
Bharatkhand	2003
Bombay Dyeing	752/8
Buckingham and Carnatics	178
Calico	572/8
Central India	210
Century	207/8
Colaba	108/2
Delhi Cloth and Gen Mills	480
Elgin	102/8
Gokak	127/8
Hukumchand	168/2
Indore	46/4
Jubilee	203/2
Khatau Makanji	81/4
Kohinoor	217/8
Laxmi Cotton	427/6
Madhusudan	200
Marsden	78/2
Morarji	111/14
Mysore	82/8
Nandlal Bhandari	77/4
New Great	185/4
Raipur	577/8
Rajnagar	175
Sajjan	97/8
Sassoon and Alliance	64
Sholapur	2800
Simplex	69/6
Swadeshi	198/2
Vishnu	1040
HYDRO ELECTRICS	
Andhra Valley ord	1435
Tata Hydro Ord	151/4
Tata Power Ord	1277/8
ELECTRICS	
Ahmedabad Electrics	141/4
Ajmer Electrics	11/4
Amalgamated	11/4
Bombay Suburban	141/4
Bombay Tram	127/8
Lahore Electrics	445
Surat Electrics	146/4
MISCELLANEOUS	
Alcock Ashdown	340
Associated Cements	128
Belapur	178/12
Bombay Burma New	158/12
Bombay Burma Old	459/6
Bombay Burma	225/10
Bombay Telephone	82/8
Br B Petrol	3/6
Burma Corporation	5/11
Dalmia Cement	11/4
Indian Bleaching	95
Industrial Investment Tr	42/8
Indian Radio Ord	307/8
Indian Radio Defd	301/4
Indian Copper	1/13
Indian Iron	25/12
Mysore sugar	30
Port Canning	70/8
Premier Construction	70/8
Rohtas Industries	21/14
Scindia Steam	18/2
Shivrajpur	36
Tata Oil	38/12
Tata Steel Ordy	276
Tata Steel Defd	1315
Bengal Steel Corp	12/13
JUTES	
Birla Jute	16
Howrah	54
Hukumchand	5/2
Kamarhatty	489
Kanknarrah	375
Lawrence	350
Reliance	59

YARN MARKET REPORT

Bombay May 25.

Messrs. Sankalchand G. Shah and Co., have issued the following weekly yarn market report.

The yarn market has remained quiet but steady throughout the whole past week and prices have fluctuated within a very narrow range. In case of Indian yarns inspite of steady cotton prices during the last few days there has been no improvement in demand from any important consuming centres throughout the whole country. On the other hand reports have been received from several parts of India particularly from the Northern markets that prices in yarns are yet declining owing to continued pressure of sale by the upcountry mills at reduced prices and also due to absence of satisfactory demand from the consuming districts. In some parts however such as Southern India and others, prices have become steady and have been showing some slight improvement probably due to speculative enquiries from some merchants as a result of firm cotton prices. So far as Bombay yarns are concerned, there has been no improvement in prices at all but later in the week some improvement in enquiries from the local merchants was in evidence. The Bombay Mills have however made no sales of importance during the week either in ready or for forward delivery on account of the disparity in prices. As regards export markets, some enquiries have been received from Hongkong, Siam, Bangkok, Java and other markets but the prices offered are too low to admit of any business of importance. On the whole prices of Indian yarns have remained unchanged with slightly better undertone and if cotton prices improve still further it might help the yarn prices to improve gradually in the next few days.

ENGLISH YARNS

There has been no business in Manchester yarns for forward deliveries during the week on account of much higher replacing prices and also due to Japanese and Indian competition.

JAPANESE AND SHANGHAI YARNS

As a result of improvement in cotton prices, Prices in Japanese and Shanghai yarns for ready and forward deliveries have shown some further improvement during the week. In grey, single and two-fold yarns, enquiries have improved further and prices have been showing steady improvement. As regards Mercerised yarns, speculative enquiries have increased during the week as a result of improvement in cotton prices and also due to steady advices from Japanese Spinners. Turnover has improved further and prices have been showing a tendency of further improvement. Offtake in ready goods has remained satisfactory on account of the present low level of prices. Fresh forward business with Japan and Shanghai during the week has been compartatively much smaller on account of somewhat higher prices quoted for forward deliveries. The future outlook is more hopeful. Exchange has recorded a further rise during the week.

ARTIFICIAL SILK YARNS

The Italian Syndicate prices have remained unchanged during the week except in case of very fine deniers where there has been some reduction by way of adjustments in prices. Demand for low grade qualities hae remained satisfactory during the week and enquiries have increased from Punjab markets both in Bright and Dull lustred yarns. As regards superior qualities demand continues to remain yet very slack and it is reported that some of the mills have bought fairly large quantities of Japanese yarns in A and B qualities as they are not satisfied with the quality of Italian yarns. Fresh forward business with Japan has been very limited owing to much higher prices quoted by Japanese Spinners. The future tendency is slightly more hopeful.

INDIAN YARNS.

Turnover on the Bombay Yarn Exchange Ltd., has improved further on account of very steady cotton prices and large business has been transacted in 10 1/2s and 20 1/2s during the week at improved prices Te future tendency however mostly depends upon the course of cotton prices during the next few days.

HEALTH CONDITIONS IN BOMBAY PROVINCE

For The Week Ending May 20

The Public Relations Officer, Bombay, writes:—

The provincial cholera figures for the week were 61 attacks and 28 deaths against 29-12 reported in the previous week and 44-20 revised figures for the week. These cases were from Ahmednagar District (60 cases and 28 deaths against 27-10 reported in the previous week and 42-18 revised for that week) and Nasik (1-0 against nil).

In Ahmednagar District the cholera infection is spreading in Newasa and Rahuri Talukas. One special Medical Officer has been appointed in the District on anti-cholera duty who is assisting the Epidemic Medical Officer and Dispensary Medical Officers.

Anti-cholera inoculation performed during the week numbered 1,803 bringing the total number of inoculations since 1st January to 17,934.

PLAGUE

One case and 1 death due to plague were reported during the week against 1-1 reported in the previous week and 3-2 revised for that week. These cases were from Satara District only (1 case and 1 death against nil reported during the previous week and 1-0 revised for that week).

The Medical Officers on cyanide fumigation in Dharwar, Satara, Belgaum and Sholapur Districts under Government control and Epidemic Medical Officer Kanara District fumigated rat holes in 320 houses in 5 villages. Similar operations were carried out in Sholapur town and Karwar town by the Municipal staff where rat holes in 10 and 104 houses respectively were fumigated.

SMALL-POX

Small-pox figures, by districts, for the week are: East Khandesh 304-32; Nasik 59-13; West Khandesh 31-5; Satara 25-2; Ahmedabad 18-8; Ahmednagar 16-1; Poona 14-1; Sholapur 8-0; Surat 7-4; Kaira 5-1; Kolaba 3-2; Thana 3-0; Broach 2-0; Bijapur 1-0; Kanara 1-0; and Bombay City 6-2; Total 503 attacks and 71 deaths against 675-105 reported in the previous week and 1,010 cases and 152 deaths revised for that week. Vaccination of children and revaccination of adults is being vigorously pushed on in the affected areas.

Vaccine Institute, Belgaum.—The number of doses of lymph despatched from Belgaum Vaccine Institute to different parts of the Province during the week was 25,010.

INFLUENZA

Three deaths from influenza were reported from Bombay City during the week against 0-1 in the previous week.

MALARIA

The touring medical officers on anti-malaria duty appointed in Kanara district visited 145 villages and treated 1,310 persons during the week. Of these 920 were treated for malaria.

Protection Against Sabotage

Welding Of Rails: Experiments On State Railways

A protection against sabotage is expected to be partially secured by the application of welding to the railway track. It will be recalled that a number of accidents have recently been found to be due to the removal of rails. The normal length of a rail at the present time is mostly 36 feet and in some cases 42. It is expected that by this welding the length will be increased to 120 feet, making it extremely difficult for any tampering as a much larger number of nuts and bolts will have to be removed to dislocate this length of rail apart from the difficulty of shifting a rail of such a length and weight.

An expert was sent for from France by Messrs. Guest, Keen and Williams of Calcutta. One thousand joints have been fixed at certain selected portions for testing purposes on the North Western Railway , East Indian Railway and the Great Indian Peninsular Railway—all State-owned Railways.

These experiments are being conducted with a view to seeing how far they are conducive to better safety in travel and also whether the rail lengths chosen now would work satisfactorily in the Indian climate. Apart from this is the most important economis issue. The welding of joints at present works out at about Rs. 30 each.

The difficult proposition whether the saving in the wear and tear of the rolling stock and other benefits that are likely to accrue from these experiments will be worth the expenditure involved will be seriously studied after the results of these experiments now being conducted are available.

Experiments with welding of rails were started in Europe about ten years ago and during the last five years they have been successfully carried out in South Africa, Australia and the United States of America.

Welding of rails. eliminates joints and avoids the consequent weakness of the track. It is also expected that it will result in some saving of maintenance labour and cost, for these joints have to be particularly strengthened and care has to be bestowed on them by incessant inspection. In order to leave space for the climatic variations of India and consequent expansion and contraction of metal in heat and cold, the two rails at joints are in ordinary track not placed absolutely against each other.

As is well-known to every passenger, there is a kind of noise and a jerk, however slight it may be, on the rolling stock whenever the train passes the joints. This rattling effects the wear and tear of the rolling stock. It is expected that this will be considerably avoided by the welding of rails.

There are various devices for welding which have been successfully carried out. There is the electric Flash-Butt system which requires an expensive electrical apparatus but the most convenient for trial purposes has been found to be the Thermit system which has been worked on the French Railways. The rails will for the present continue to be manufactured of the same length as at present for the convenience of transport. Welding is carried out by means of a powdered composition of aluminium and iron oxide let into the extremities of two rails in heated liquid form. This hardens and welds the two sides together, leaving a slight protuberance on the rail. This protuberance is then ground off and straightened out.

Special Powers For Burma Riot Committee

RANGOON, May 26.

The Governor of Burma has promulgated an Ordinance empowering the Committee appointed to enquire into the incidents of rioting and subsequent police firing at Mandalay, to enforce the attendance of witnesses, examine witnesses on oath and issue commissions for the examination of witnesses like a Court under the Civil Procedure Code.—United Press.

Broadcasting Station At Patna

PATNA, May 26.

The Government of India have entrusted Mr. Gayder, Engineer, with the task of selecting a site for establishing a broadcasting station here. Mr. Gayder met the Hon. Dr. Syed Mahmud, Minister for Education, Development and Employment, to-day and discussed the matter with him.—United Press.

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MENACE TO INDIANS IN CEYLON

NEW DELHI, May 26.

The Secretary of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry has addressed the following telegram to the Secretary to the Government of India Department of Education, Health and Lands, yesterday:—

"The Committee of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry understand that the Standing Emigration Committee is meeting on May 26 and the Committee view with anxiety the recent repatriation measure of the Ceylon Government.

"The adoption of the principle of repatriation constitutes a serious threat to overseas Indians in general and Ceylon Indians in particular. The Committee earnestly urge the Emigration Committee to consider the Ceylon repatriation measures and also compensation to Indians in Burma at their meeting and request the Government of India to take effective steps in time to safeguard the rights of Indians abroad."—A.P.

TAGORE'S EMPIRE DAY MESSAGE

CALCUTTA (By Mail)

A special cable from London to the "Amrita Bazar Patrika" says that Poet Tagore's message in the name of the Indian people on the Empire Day broadcast last night throughout the Empire was clearly heard there.

HARIJANS OF BHOR WANT REPRESENTATION

Deputation To Wait On Ruler

(From Our Correspondent.)

BHOR, May 26.

A big meeting was held under the presidentship of Mr. R. R. Bhole in Bhor State, when a large gathering attended including the Councillors of the State. Two resolutions were passed; the first demanded adequate representation in the Franchise and Temple Committee and the Council and other self-governing bodies of the State; the second authorised Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, Mr. R. R. Bhole and Mr. V. A. Gadkari to wait in deputation on the Durbar and demand the substance in the first resolution.

Mr. R. R. Bhole during the course of his speech said that it is a regret that there was no reference to the scheduled class representation in the Rajasaheb's declaration. He dealt with the history of the State and its drawbacks in administration.

He advised the scheduled classes to fight for their rights; they would attain freedom sooner if they got share in the administration. They must fight for a lower franchise—this would enable them to send their true representatives. He promised that the Independent Labour Party was always at their back and call

Latest Commercial News

NEW YORK COTTON TWO POINTS UP

Home Rails Strong And Active

OILS AND SECURITIES QUIET BUT FIRM

BOMBAY, May 26.

NEW YORK COTTON

The market was moderately active on scattered local support but Lower Liverpool cables checked enquiry to some extent. The movements were narrow, and traders are watching Washington developments.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

The week-end consideration restricted initiative. Home-Rails were strong and active as permission to increase certain fares is granted.

Gilts, Indian Loans and Oils were quiet but firm.

COTTON

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES

JULY 1939

New York, May 26.

Previous closing	8.90
To-day's opening	8.90
Difference	nil
To-day's closing	8.92
Difference	+.02

LIVERPOOL COTTON

JULY 1939

Liverpool, May 26.

Previous closing	4.82
To-day's opening	4.79
Difference	+.03
To-day's closing	4.76
Difference	—.06

BROACH EXPECTATION

July August 1939 ..... Rs. 168-8
April May 1940 ..... Rs. 156-8

N. Y. COTTON MARKET

New York, May 26.

The trading in July commenced at 8.90 i.e. unchanged from the previous closing.

Prices steadied on some trade and local buying but demand was not aggressive and prices could make little headway.

BOMBAY COTTON

Late Trading

Bombay, May 26.

In the local market Broach July/August opened to-night at Rs. 168 and then declined to Rs. 167-12. The market closed finally at Rs. 168-8. April/May closed at Rs. 156-6.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 26.

The following are opening ranges:—
July (8.90/8.90) 8.92/8.90
October (8.08/8.08) 8.17/8.16
December (7.89/7.89) 7.93/7.93

LIVERPOOL COTTON

Liverpool, May 26.

The following are opening quotations:
American May (5.07) 5.03
American July (4.79) 4.76
Egyptian May (6.50) 6.41
Egyptian July (6.57) 6.49

LONDON COMMODITIES

London, May 26.

TEAS

Indian Pekoe (1-0 3/4) 1-0 3/4
Indian Pekoe higher (1-3 3/4) 1-3 3/4
Ceylon Pekoe (1-1 3/4) 1-1 3/4
Ceylon Pekoe higher (1-6) 1-6

JUTE

First Marks C. I. F. Continent New Crop May June (£28 sellers) £28 sellers
Dunlop May (£32 1/2) £32 1/2
Lightning May (£31) £31

RUBBER

Spot (8 3/16 paid and buyers) 8 3/16 paid and buyers
Forward July September (8 5/16 paid and value) 8 5/16 paid and buyers

SEEDS

Castorseed Bombay May/June (£11 1/2 sellers) £11 1/2 sellers
Linseed La Plata May (£13 1/8 sellers) £13 1/16
Linseed La Plata May (£11 9/16 sellers) £11 9/16 sellers
Groundnuts Coromandal June (£11 15/16 sellers) 11 15/16 sellers

METALS

Tin (£225 3/4 buyers £226 sellers. Steady) £226 1/2 buyers £226 3/4 sellers. Very steady.
Lead (£14 3/8 buyers £14 1/2 sellers. Steady) £14 5/8 buyers £14 11/16 sellers. Very steady.
Electrolytic Copper (£47 1/4 to £48 1/4) £47 1/2 to £48 1/2.
Iron (102) 102

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, May 26.

The following are the opening rates:
General Motors (dol 45 1/4) dol 44 3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining (dol 24 3/4) dol 24 1/2
U S Common New Stock (dol 48 1/4) dol 48
U S Steel Preference (unquoted) dol 106 1/4

LIVERPOOL WHEAT

Closing Quotation

Liverpool, May 26.

The Liverpool wheat market closed [illegible] at [illegible]

EXCHANGES

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON

New York, May 26.

Previous closing	4.68 3/16
To-day's opening	4.68 3/16
At the time of New York cotton closing	4.68 3/16

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK

London, May 26.

Previous closing	4.68.16
To-day's opening	4.68.18
To-day's closing	4.68.18

T. T. LONDON ON PARIS

London, May 26.

Previous closing	176.73
To-day's opening	176.73
To-day's closing	176.73

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, May 26.

London Exchanges opened with the sterling dollar at 4.68.18 and continued steady with minor changes.

Franc opened at 176.73 and made hardly any further movements.

CROSS RATES

London on Bombay (1-5 7/8 sellers) 1-5 29/32 sellers
Paris on Bombay (13.157) 13.173
New York on Bombay (34.89) 34.91
Berlin on Milan (0.87) 0.87
London on Milan (89.04) 89.05
London on Shanghai (0-8 7/32 nominal) 0-8 7/32 nominal
London on Kobe (1-2) 1-2

BULLION

Influx (Nil) Nil
Withdrawal (nil) nil
Gold (£7-8-5 1/2) £7-8-5 1/2
Silver (20d) 20d.

DISCOUNTS

3 months (11/16 to 11/16 per cent) 11/16 to 11/16 per cent
4 months (3/4 to 3/4 per cent) 3/4 to 3/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/8 to 1 1/8 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/8 per cent

LONDON SILVER CABLE

Bombay, May 26.

The following cable regarding silver market was received in Bombay to-night:—

"Some American trade-buying. Small offerings. Market quietly steady.

LONDON SILVER

London, May 25.

Spot	(20d) 20d.
Forward	(19 13/16d) 19 13/16d.

LONDON GOLD

London, May 26.

Gold Bars Fine per ounce (£7-8-5 1/2) £7-8-5 1/2

BOMBAY BULLION

Latest Quotation

Bombay, May 26.

SILVER

Silver ready	52	13	0
Silver Jeth	52	12	0
Silver Ashad	52	11	0

GOLD

Gold ready	37	1	9
Gold Jeth	37	2	0
Gold Ashad	37	2	6
Sovereign	23	10	6

WHEAT AND LINSEED

Closing Quotations

Bombay, May 26.

Wheat September	3	5	6
Wheat January	3	9	3
Linseed September	5	9	3

Liverpool Wheat

Liverpool, May 26.

Liverpool wheat opened quiet with July at 52 3/8d. Prices eased under scattered selling influenced by lower overseas cables and forecast of favourable weather in North America.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, May 26.

The 3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed at £86 1/2

Closing quotations on the previous days were:—

Wednesday, May 17, £81 3/4
Thursday, May 18, £83.
Friday, May 19, £84
Monday, May 22, £84 3/4
Tuesday, May 23, £85
Wednesday, May 24, £85
Thursday, May 25, £86 3/4

INDIAN LOANS

London, May 26.

3-30 p.m.

3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£96 1/4) £96 1/4
3 1/2 per cent Indian Stock (£86 3/4) £86 1/2
4 1/2 per cent Indian Stock 1950-55 (£106 1/4) £106 3/4
4 1/2 per cent 1958-68 (£108 1/4) £108 3/4
4 per cent Indian Stock 1948-58 (£103 1/4) £103 3/4
5 per cent 1942-47 (£104 3/4) £105 1/4
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£98 1/4) £98 1/4

AUSTRALIAN LOANS

5 per cent 1945-55 (£105 3/4) £105 3/4

BRITISH FUNDS

2 1/2 per cent Consols (£69 5/8) £69 3/4
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£96 1/8) £96 1/4
4 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£102 1/4) Ex Div) £102 1/4
5 per cent Funding Loan (£108 1/4) £108
5 1/2 per cent War Loan (£95 1/2) £95 5/8
4 per cent Victory Bonds (£108 1/8) £108

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, May 26.

London Stock Exchange was moderately active on scattered support.

Giltedged securities were rather quiet. Three and half per cent was quoted at £86 1/2 i.e. five shillings lower than the last closing.

INDUSTRIALS

Standard Motors (17-7 1/2) 17-7 1/2
Motors and Spencer Ordinary (64-7 1/2) 65-6
Hydro Electric (dol 4 1/4) dol 4 1/4
Elec Music Industry (11-6) 11-6
Princhin Johnson (25-0) 25-0
Imperial Chemical (31-0) 31-0
Woolsworth New Ordinary (64-9) 64-9
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates 1930 (£20 1/2) £20 1/2
Dunlop Rubber (28-9) 28-9
Unilever Ordinary (36-3) 36-3
Ford Motors (17-6) 17-6
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£51 1/2) £51 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary (100) 100
Carreas 'A' (£6 1/2) £6 1/2
Imperial Tobbaccco Ordinary (133-9) 133-9
P and O. S. N. Company Deferred (20-7 1/2) 20-7 1/2
Distillers (94-10 1/2) 94-10 1/2
British Dyers (4-1 1/2) 4-1 1/2
British Celanese (4-10 1/2) 4-10 1/2
J and P Coates Ordinary (32-1 1/2) 33-1 1/2
Courtaulds Ordinary (27-0) 27-0
Fine Cotton Spinners (2-9) 2-9
Vickers Limited Ordinary (19-7 1/2) 19-10 1/2
Inter Nickel (dol 52 3/8) dol 52 3/8
Indian Irons (37-6) 38-9

TEA SHARES

Assam (16-10 1/2) 16-10 1/2
Donaro Tea (28-9) 28-9
Empire of India (22-0) 22-0

JUTE

Barnagore (£11) £11

RUBBER SHARES

Anglo Dutch Rubber (26-3) 26-6
Gula Kelampong (19-4 1/2) 19-4 1/2
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (27-3) 27-6

MINING SHARES

Nandydrug (31-3) 31-3
Burma Corporation (8-7 1/2) 8-7 1/2
Rio Tintos (£12 3/4) £12 5/8
East Rand Proprietors (50-9) 50-9
Rand Mines (£8 5/8) £8 5/8

MINE SHARES

Crown (£15 3/8) £15 3/8
Associated Portland Cement (73-9) 72-6
Trinidad Leaseholds (86-10 1/2) 87-6
Sub Nigel (£11) £11 1/15
Spring Mines Split Shares (29-4 1/2) 29-4 1/2
Union Corporation (£7 1/2) £7 5/8

OIL SHARES

Venezuela Persian (23-9) 24-4 1/2
Anglo Iranian (80-7 1/2) 85-0
Burma Oil (76-10 1/2) 78-9
Mexican Eagle (9-3) 9-3
Shell Transport (86-3) 86-10 1/2
Royal Dutch (£35 1/2) £35 5/8

RAILWAY SHARES

Great Western Ordinary (£35 1/4) £36
London Midland Ordinary (£15 1/2) £16
London North Eastern Def (£2 7/8) £3 1/8
London Southern Def (£15 1/2) £17 1/2
London Transport 5 per cent (£116) £116 1/2
London Transport "C" (£72) £71 1/2

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Wall-Street Firmer

(SPECIAL CABLE.)

LONDON, May 26.

On the Stock Exchange the main feature of to-day's quiet pre-holiday markets was the strength of activity of Home Rails following official permission to increase certain fares. Oils also strengthened apart from Anglo-Egyptian, where the maintenance of dividend at 12 1/2 per cent was below expectations. Dealings started in new South-African 3 1/2 per cent loan at premium of 3/4 subsequently improving to 1 3/16 premium.

Wall Street opened firmer.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Indian Irons, Dalmias And Dunlop In Fair Request

CALCUTTA, May 26.

Jutes although ruled firm business was very much restricted. Coals were active and steady but volume or trading was nothing but small. In teas, only a few scattered deals were reported. Miscellaneous: Burn and Coy ord kept steady round 270 while Indian Iron and Steel corporation ord maintained fully firm market. Among others Dalmias, Dunlop Rubbers were in fair request at hardening prices.

Govt. Securities kept firm.

Govt. Securities:—Three per cent loan 1951/54 99/13 small lot, three and half per cent G. P. 96/9, three per cent loan 1963/65 97, four and half per cent loan 1955/50 115/2 small lot, five per cent loan 1945/55 113/14.

Banks:—Imperial Bank fully paid paid 1543, Reserve 109.

Railways:—Burdwan Cutwa 91/8, Katakhal Lala Bazar 91/8 small lots.

New Victoria Cotton ord annas 13.

Coals:—Burra Dhemo 4/2, Burrakur 12/15, Deoli 7/8, Equitable 32/2, New Beerbhoom 17/10, North Damuda 4/14, South Karanpura 4/10

Jutes:—Barnagore 150, Howrah 53/3 XD Kamarhatty 483 small lot, Kankinarrah 372.

Miscellaneous:—Burma corpn 5/11, Consolidated tin 6/1, Indian copper 1/13, Ex Div Rhodesia copper 1/3, Tavoy tin 1/2, Associated cement 130, Dalmia cemen ord 11/13, do defd 3/5 small lot do pref 96, small lots, Bengal Chemical pref 17/4, Rawalpindi elec 22, Arthur Butler ord 7/6, Burn and Co. ord 271, Hukumchand steel ord 7/2, Indian iron 25/14, Kumardhubi Ng ord 3/8, Marshalls 1/7, steel corpn ord 12/12, do pref 96, B. I. corpn. ord 2/9, Calcutta Safe Deposit 7/8, Dunlop ord rubber 15/13 do second pref 100, Orient paper second pref 100 odd lot, Publicity Soviet 7, Moola oil 1/2, Orient paper ord 5/11, Titaghur paper second pref 105, Midnapore Zemindary 66/8, Assam Sawa annas 10, Borroah timber 10/14, Calcutta landing and shipping 13/14, Champaran 11/12, South Behar defd 3/8.

Teas:—Birpara 210 odd lots, Killcott 42/4 small lots Patrakola 800, Tezpore pref 11.—A.P.

POLICE MEDAL FOR GALLANTRY IN DEALING WITH WILD MEN

RANGOON, (By Mail)

The Governor has been pleased to confer the Burma Police Medal on Jemada Ahmed Khan, Reserve Battalion, Burma, Frontier Force, Pyawbwe.

The medal is awarded in recognition of the services rendered by the officer in the course of the operations in the Wa States on the 8th December, 1937, when he was ordered to surround with four rifle sections a house in one of the villages in the Wa States.

He was aware that the house in question contained many well-armed wild men of the Wa State. He carried out his task so efficiently that the occupants of the house were not awakened until the four sections were in position with the result that all the thirty-seven occupants of the house were captured. The officer's ready resource and grasp of the situation contributed primarily to the success of the operations during which he took great personal risk and showed conspicuous gallantry.

Naik Makhan Singh, of the Reserve Battalion, Burma Frontier Force, Pyawbwe, is also awarded the Burma Police Medal in recognition of his gallantry during operations in the Wa States on the 8th December, 1937.—A.P.

Dhobies & Chamars Resort To Boycott

LUCKNOW, May 26.

Officials and members of the Notified Area Committee of Barabanki in the United Provinces have been placed in an awkward position as a sequel to boycott declared against them by the Dhobies and Chamars of the place.

The boycott, it is stated, has been declared as a protest against the alleged inequitable assessment in that area.—United Press.

Chiplun Municipality

(From Our Correspondent)

CHIPLUN, May 25.

A meeting of the Chiplun Municipality was held yesterday to elect the new president but it was dissolved by the retiring President for according to the newly amended section 23 of the Municipal Act a reference to the Collector was necessary as the retiring President (Khansahib M. H. Dalvi) ruled that he was not competent to preside under the new provision.

All India Weather

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, May 26.

The following are the maximum-minimum temperature and rainfall figures recorded at various stations during twenty-four hours ending 8 a.m. to-day:—

Station.	Temperature Max	Temperature Min.	Rainfall Last 24 Hours	Rainfall Total Since 1st April	Rainfall Difference to normal.
Agra	111	88	—	—	—0.6
Amraoti	106	77	—	—	—0.6
Akola	107	81	—	0.6	+0.2
Ahmedabad	104	76	—	—	—0.4
Ajmer	101	81	—	—	—0.7
Ahmednagar	102	75	—	0.7	—1.0
Ambala	111	85	—	0.4	—0.9
Allahabad	111	84	—	0.4	—
Benares	108	85	—	—	—0.6
Bareilly	110	80	—	0.3	—0.6
BOMBAY	91	80	—	—	—0.3
Bangalore	95	71	0.2	7.5	+2.8
Bhopal	104	80	—	—	—
Baroda	104	71	—	—	—
Belgaum	99	70	T	0.7	—2.5
Bahawalpore	108	80	—	—	—0.5
Bijapur	103	80	—	0.5	—0.9
Bellary	105	83	—	2.1	—0.2
Bhavnagar	106	78	—	—	—0.4
Chittagong	89	80	—	12.4	—0.3
Calcutta	97	81	—	4.3	—2.1
Cuttack	101	86	—	1.6	—2.4
Cawnpore	113	90	—	—	—0.4
Calicut	92	72	1.0	10.0	+0.4
Colombo	88	81	0.1	24.5	+4.9
Cheerapunji	73	63	—	62.6	—0.6
Cocanada	104	85	T	0.5	—1.3
Cochin	87	72	0.9	19.7	+6.3
Dehra Dun	103	75	—	1.7	—0.3
Delhi	110	89	—	—	—0.9
Dehra I. Khan	103	75	—	0.6	—0.5
Darjeeling	62	54	T	8.0	—3.4
Desa	103	77	—	—	—0.4
Dalhousie	—	—	—	3.4	—2.3
Fort Sandeman	84	60	0.1	1.1	—0.6
Gorakhpur	103	82	—	0.1	—1.5
Hyderabad (Dn.)	105	84	—	0.9	—0.9
Hyderabad (Sd.)	102	79	—	—	—0.2
Indore	101	78	—	—	—0.4
Jhansi	113	90	—	—	—0.4
Jubbulpore	107	82	—	—	—0.6
Jacobabad	109	83	—	—	—0.3
Jaipur	107	84	—	—	—0.7
Karachi	86	79	—	0.1	—0.1
Kodaikanal	72	53	0.2	7.0	—2.3
Khandwa	106	82	—	—	—0.4
Lucknow	109	83	—	—	—1.1
Ludhiana	111	83	—	0.4	—1.0
Lahore	107	73	—	0.4	—0.7
Lyallpur	—	—	—	—	—
Multan	110	78	—	—	—0.5
Mysore	95	71	0.1	7.9	+1.4
Madras	100	82	—	5.2	+3.8
Marmagoa	—	—	—	—	—
Malegaon	104	76	—	—	—0.6
Mussoorie	87	67	—	1.0	—1.6
Mahableshwar	89	69	—	0.7	—1.7
Murree	74	52	0.5	3.5	—3.2
Mount Abu	86	66	—	—	—0.9
Masulipatam	95	83	—	0.1	—1.6
Mandalay	94	76	0.1	7.6	+2.0
Mangalore	89	82	—	5.0	—0.1
Meerut	—	—	—	—	—0.9
Mercara	87	66	—	1.9	—4.7
Nagpur	108	86	—	0.3	—0.7
Ootacamund	71	54	0.3	7.0	—1.5
Patna	101	79	—	0.1	—1.4
Peshawar	97	76	T	0.8	—1.8
Poona	100	70	—	0.1	—1.0
Pachmarhi	95	79	—	—	—0.7
Port Blair	87	75	0.1	18.8	+3.9
Quetta	78	51	—	1.1	—
Ranchi	103	78	—	1.2	—1.4
Rawalpindi	101	65	T	1.9	—1.2
Rangoon	87	78	0.1	12.0	+1.2
Ratnagiri	88	79	—	0.1	—0.4
Rajkot	102	74	—	—	—0.4
Sialkot	102	80	—	0.9	—1.0
Srinagar	72	54	0.3	3.3	—2.5
Sholapur	105	80	—	0.4	—0.7
Shillong	72	60	0.7	9.6	—1.4
Simla	81	63	—	1.6	—2.6
Surat	96	76	—	—	—0.2
Salem	100	73	0.1	7.9	+1.9
Trichinopoly	103	77	—	7.8	+3.5
Thivandrum	90	82	—	14.6	+4.1
Vizagapatam	90	84	—	0.2	—2.2

T indicates rainfall of 1 to 4 Cents.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER REPORT

Few Falls In Bombay Deccan

POONA, May 26

A Western disturbance has caused nearly general rain or snow in Kashmir and a few falls in Northwest Frontier Province and the northern parts of the Punjab. Local rain has occurred in Assam, while a few falls are reported from Bengal, Bombay Deccan, and south Peninsula.

The chief amounts of rainfall in inches are:—Madura one and half, Calcut and Cochin one, Sandheads, Shillong, Murree and Sonamarg half, Jessore, Burdwan, Lahore, Srinagar, Gilgit, Miraj, Bangalore, Ootacamund and Kodaikanal quarter.—A. P.

COLABA OBSERVATORY, BOMBAY.

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 26-5-1939.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours —.034 inches.

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 83.0 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 77.0 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 90.5 degrees 0.5 (below normal).

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 80.3 degrees 0.1 (below normal).

Relative Humidity at 8 a.m. 75 p.c.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. NNW.

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 3 miles per hour.

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 225 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 24 miles per hour.

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 8.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING DATED 26-5-39

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 85.1 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 30.01 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.79 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVED

Bombay, May 26.

B I S N s.s. Garmula of 3234 reg tons Capt J N Collins arrived from Rangoon via Colombo and Malabar Coast Ports with general cargo

M M s.s. Steel Ranger of 3450 reg tons Capt E Lucas arrived from Heuston via American Ports Alexandria Port Said Suez and Aden with general cargo

Lloyd Triestino s.s. Carso of 3955 reg tons Capt L Tomcina arrived from Karachi via Marmagoa with general cargo

B I S N s.s. Orna of 4030 reg tons Capt W H Hemmings arrived from Calcutta with local and general cargo

SAILED

Graham's Trading s.s. Linaria of 2014 reg tons Capt W T Brown sailed for Port Okha in water ballast

Volkart Bros s.s. Hoegh Transporter of 2865 reg tons Capt L Kroff Lund sailed for Penang Singapore via Cochin with local cargo

Turner Morrison s.s. Alavi of 2161 reg tons Capt P A Staggles sailed for Jeddah via Cutch Kundla Karachi and Red Sea Ports with passengers and local cargo

Ralli Bros' s.s. Nanilsea Meadows of 2943 reg tons Capt D V L Cheeseman sailed for Port Said for orders via Marmagoa with local cargo

LOADING

The following vessels booked for loading on 26-5-39.

S S Tango Maru (NYK) for Karachi Colombo and China Japan Ports

S S Glasgow Maru (OSK) for Penang Singapore and China Japan Ports

S S Varela (MM) for Karachi and Persian Gulf Ports

STEAMERS IN DOCKS

ALEXANDRA DOCK

Bombay, May 26.

2 Aagtekerk 4044 Australia NF L Edwards
3 Barala 1899 P Gulf 31-5 M M
7 Elysia 4211 Liverpool 1-6 Anchor Line
8 Vinni 3050 New York 26-5 Volka Bros
15 C/Shanghai 3748 Liverpool 1-6 K Nixon.

VICTORIA DOCK

5 Linaria 2014 Okha 26-5 Grahams Tdg.
6 Costcappelle 348 M Coast 26-5 Merchant S N
10/11 Steel Ranger 3450 Rangoon 27-5 M M
10/11 Nailsea Meadow 2943 London 26-5 Ralli Bros

PRINCE'S DOCK

A Garmula 3234 Tuticorin 27-5 M M
B Alavi 2161 Red Sea Ports 27-5 T M
H Revati 232 NF NF Malabar Steamship
H O/S Shrivati 250 N F N F Malabar S
L Odda 470 N F N F S Hassum
C/R Jalapalaka 2630 NF 28-5 Scindia S N
P/Q Bamora 1870 N F N F M M

Steamers Expected

FROM LONDON

Strathaird 1-6-39 P and O S N
Chitral 8-6-39 P and O S N
Mooltan 15-6-39 P and O S N
Corfu 22-6-39 P and O S N
Strathallan 29-6-39 P and O S N

FROM LIVERPOOL

Clan Macinnes 28-5-39 J Finlay
City of Barcelona 1-6-39 K Nixon
Britannia 2-6-39 Anchor Line

FROM HAMBURG

Neuenfels 8-6-39 L Edwards
Watchtfels 29-5-39 L Edwards

FROM NEW YORK

Pres. Hayes 15-6-39 F F Campbell
Deebank 4-6-39 F F Campbell
Pres. Harrison 1-6-39 F F Campbell

FROM OSLO

Simla 2-6-39 L Edwards

FROM TRIESTE

Conte Rosso 26-6-39 L Triestino

FROM GENOA

Conte Biancamano 12-6-39 L Triestino

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN

Nissan Maru 6-6-39 O S Kaisha
Azuma Maru 11-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Brisbane Maru 17-6-39 O S Kaisha
Ginlio Cesare 2-6-39 L Triestino
Zinzan Maru 14-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Victoria 7-6-39 L Triestino
Tango Maru 30-5-39 N Y Kaisha
Ranchi 23-6-39 P and O S N
Ryufuku Maru 24-5-39 O S Kaisha
Rajputana 9-6-39 P and O S N
Conte Verde 22-6-39 L Triestino

FROM BASRA

Bandra 1-6-39 M M
Vasna 27-5-39 M M

FROM RANGOON

Jalaveera 30-5-39 Scindia S N

FROM SYDNEY

Comorin 2-6-39 P and O S N

FROM DURBAN

Kenya 24-6-39 M M
Tairea 10-6-39 M M

FROM CALCUTTA

Goalconda 29-5-39 M M

FROM MOULMEIN

Nowshera 31-5-39 M M

FROM KARACHI

Toyama Maru 29-5-39 N Y Kaisha
Durenda 2-6-39 M M

Sailing Dates

FOR LONDON

Comorin 3-6-39 P and O S N
Rajputana 10-6-39 P and O S N
Cathay 17-6-39 P and O S N
Ranchi 24-6-39 P and O S N
Carthage 27-5-39 P and O S N

FOR LIVERPOOL

City of Benares 5-6-39 K Nixon
City of Shanghai 1-6-39 K Nixon
Britannia 16-6-39 Anchor Line

FOR HAMBURG

Wolfsburg N F L Edwards

FOR NEW YORK

Pres. Harrison 3-6-39 F F Campbell
Pres Hayes 17-6-39 F F Campbell

FOR TRIESTE

Conte Verde 22-6-39 L Triestino

FOR GENOA

Giulio Cesare 2-6-39 L Triestino
Victoria 7-6-39 L Triestino

FOR CHINA AND JAPAN

Ryufuku Maru 10-6-39 O S K Kaisya
Lahore 6-6-39 P and O S N
Burdwan 20-6-39 P and O S N
Tango Maru 15-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Conte Biancamano 12-6-39 L Triestino
Toyama Maru 3-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Corfu 22-6-39 P and O S N
Chitral 8-6-39 P and O S N
Glasgow Maru 31-5-39 O S Kaisha
Conte Rosso 26-6-39 L Triestino

FOR SYDNEY

Strathaird 1-6-39 P and O S N

FOR BASRA

Vasna 1-6-39 M M
Bandra 7-6-39 M M
Barala 31-5-39 M M

FOR DURBAN

Tairea 21-6-39 M M
Karanja 7-6-39 M M

FOR JEDDAH

Alavi 26-5-39 T Morrison

FOR KARACHI

Tango Maru 4-6-39 N Y Kaisha
Wachtfels 30-5-39 L Edwards
Elysia 1-6-39 Anchor Line
Lahore 26-5-39 P and O S N

P. T. GENERAL LANDING DATES

S S H T Somersetshire 23-5-39
S S City of Leicester 23-5-39
S S Hoegh Transporter 23-5-39
S S Ryuhuku Maru 24-5-39
S S Linaria 25-5-39
S S Karanja (boats American Cotton) 25-5-39
S S Lindenfels (boats American Cotton) 25-5-39
S S Hoegh Transporter (boats American Cotton) 25-5-39
S S Garbeta 25-5-39
S S Costcappelle 25-5-39
S S Bhadravati 25-5-39

EXPORTS

Bombay, May 26.

S S Elysia for Manchester: 155 bales raw cotton Podar Trading; 250 bales raw cotton B Mawji; 25 bales cotton fly V A Save; 25 bales cotton waste clean M Narotamdas; 70 bales hemp raw Meyer Nissum; 156 dms castor oil F F Campbell; 250 dms castor oil The Swastik Oil Mills; 95 bales cotton twist waste V A Save

For Liverpool: 50 bales hemp J Kauji 75 bales cotton fly Sapt T Products (India); 39 dms castor oil F F Campbell

For Glasgow: 39 dms castor oil F F Campbell; 50 bales hemp raw Meyer Nissim; 1326 bags gr nut oil cake exp P Surchand; 3894 bags gr nut oil cake exp A Oomerbhoy

S S Carthage for London: 189 bales per lamb skins withfur Grindlay; 17 bales cow hides tanned H A Mahomed and Sons; 14 bags almonds without shell H A A Karmani; 41 cases bristles B Phillips and Hayley; 42 bags gum N Muljee; 10 bags fish maws R Dhanji; 25 bags fish maws M Ladha; 33 bags drugs gandhy A Virji; 22 bags cattle fish bones H M Kerawalla

For Malta: 10 bales cotton cold piece goods G N Musry

For Famagusta: 12 bales cotton piece goods G Ramchand

S S City of Shanghai for Liverpool: 15 bales wool raw P M Kotaria; 40 bales wool raw H A Panju; 250 bales wool raw C Lister; 13 bales woolen rags Patel

S S Wolfsburg for Hamburg: 50 bales cotton waste P Dass and Sons

IMPORTS

S S Jalapalaka Agent Scindia Steam Navigation from Colombo: 2000 bags copra; 210 bags arecannuts; 150 bags betelnuts.

From Rangoon: 27617 bags rice; 247 bags gram bran; 93 bags betelnuts

From Cochin: 75 kollies hooka shells, 175 bags cocoanuts; 1697 bdls coir yarn; 675 bdls coir rope.

M S Alcides Agent Burmah-Shell Oil Storage and Dist from Puloe Bukom: 499767 tons motor spirit in bulk

From Pladjoe: 2300 tons sup kerosene oil in bulk

M S Braunfels Agent Lionel Edwards from Hamburg: 192 j/dms dyes dry; 50 carboys formic acid; 264 dms caustic soda; 400 dms bichg powder; 807 cases hurricane lanterns; 300 pcs earthenware; 185 pcs steel tubes; 100 cases safety fuses; 97 cases batteries; 120 bdls chains; 280 tins hardened whole oil; 100 cases iron chains; 342 pcs ashenlogs; 180 cases tacks; 160 d/bags iron nuts; 54 dms magnesium chloride; 647 cases glass bangles; 65 cases slate pencils; 412 pkgs sewing machines; 328 cases paper; 205 cases school slates; 1156 cts tiles; 250 cases wire nails; 109 d/bags iron screws; 3132 bdls m s belling hoops; 592 bdls white wood ceiling boards; 394 bdls y m sheets.

FLOUR MILLS STRIKE IN POONA

Protest Against Non-reduction Of Electric Rates

(From Our Correspondent)

POONA, May 26.

Over 150 flour mills run on electricity in the city and Cantonment of Poona have struck work since yesterday as a protest against the electric supply company's refusal to reduce rates on the power consumed by them.

The Electric Supply Company has already effected substantial reductions in the rates for private consumers since 1st of April, according to their agreement reached with Government of Bombay, in view of the Electricity Tax imposition.

The Union of the flour mill owners had represented their case to the Supply Company, but the latter had refused to lower rates for consumption of power by these mills. As a result the owners decided to strike and accordingly closed their mills since yesterday morning.

The wedding season in Poona being now in full swing, the strike is having a very telling effect and the citizens are put to great hardships, because of the complete hartal of these mills.

Awaiting Agriculture Secretary's Speech

TRADE AND FOREIGN BUYING

Market Cheerful

BOMBAY, May 26.

New York cotton Market was cheerful throughout the session owing to the recent general commodity rise on inflationary gossip. Trade and foreign buying with small offerings market advanced further and registered a new high level on new orleans, local and commission houses buying. There was hedging and realising also against domestic and foreign growths. Later on there was selling in July and buying in October delivery. Market was irregular at the close.

NEW YORK MARKET

At the opening July was quoted at 8.90 and declined to 8.89 two points down an scattered selling. The market then improved on trade and short covering in near months. But at the closing of the market there was selling in July deliver, and buying in distant months by Bombay and foreign countries change the tone of the market closed steady at a rise of 3 points at 8.90 spot cotton prices closed at a decline of 2 points at 9.83c. per lb

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

New Orleans cotton market was strong and advanced to 1 to 3 points in forward trading, while spot cotton prices closed unchanged at 9.52c. per lb

LIVERPOOL MARKET

The Liverpool cotton futures market opened at a rise of 5 points with October 4.56 the market bullishly influenced by the possible continuance of mandatory tax and parity payments for new crop. Local buying contracts were scares. American straddle selling met trade calling in nears but outside interest remained restricted. The market closed quiet but steady at a rise of 6 points with October 4.51d. per lb. Middling American Spot cotton prices advanced 5 points at 5.52d. per lb.

EGYPTIAN COTTON

Egyptian cotton market was steady and Giza futures closed at a rise of 7 to 4 points, Uppers futures also advanced 3 to 5 ponts. The Alexandria cotton market was strong and sakels futures advanced 12 to 14 points while Ashmouni prices advanced 4 to 11 points.

Messrs. P. Chrystal and Co., state as under:—

Liverpool to-day is due to open about 4 points higher which will make the straddle difference between Liverpool July and Broach July/August Rs. 40 or about 91 Liverpool points.

Cotton merchants have had another difficult week in that there is not yet any definite indication as to the future cotton policy in America. The problem undoubtedly is a most difficult one and whatever the final decision may be, it is certain that it is going to result in much dissatisfaction, if not in America then in other cotton growing countries. It has been obvious for some time that the American Administration must aim at some scheme which will prevent a further accumulation of Loan cotton. At the present moment New Crop quotations in America are below the level at which a Loan next season will be mandatory. We are inclined to the view that the American Government will risk the displeasure of other countries and will introduce some measure of export subsidy.

During the past week most interest has been centred in old crop cotton in which there has been a further advance in price. It is believed that about one lac of bales has been repossessed lately from the Loan to meet immediate requirements of certain grades and staples, but it takes some time to collect such statistics and the figures are not yet available to the trade. Further withdrawals from the Loan are likely between now and the end of the season but the total quantity cannot be of importance in ratio to the large Loan stock, as around present prices only 1938 cotton is available and of this only that portion which is conveniently located. Further curtailment by American Mills is therefore probable until New Crop cotton is on the market. The future trend of the New York market is difficult to gauge but a further moderate advance in July is likely and there should be an advance in New Crop months should the export subsidy plan be decided upon.

In Bombay the market has been quiet and steady in turn, old crop quotations tending to gain at the expense of new crops due to the fear of an export subsidy. During the week very little fresh export business has been reported. Indian Mills continue to find conditions very difficult, and curtailment of production is increasing. A few sales of cloth and yarn have been reported but these can be described almost as forced sales as the

WEATHER OVER U. S. A. COTTON BELT

Slightly cooler, continued rains in Western and Central Belts. The Daily Official U. S. Government forecast says "More rain expected."

prices are most unfavourable to manufacturers.

During recent weeks the statistical position of Indian cotton has developed most favourably to the Bulls. Exports to date as compared with last year are in greater excess than the increased carryover at the beginning of the season. Whilst internal consumption will probably fall behind last year's figures, our crop this year is smaller than a year ago. Exporters have considerable quantities to ship against business now on their books. We must face the fact that we shall finish the season with a greatly reduced carryover. This must result in steady markets for old crop contracts especially as the quantity of tenderable cotton is limited and might become very small by the month of July. With the large discount at which New Crops are quoted an attempted squeeze would have its drawbacks but the position is definitely vulnerable and dangerous to Bears, who we think would be well advised to act with exceeding caution.

PRIVATE CABLES—

New York July highest (10-42 a.m.) ..... 8.97+10

New York July lowest (10-3 a.m.) ..... 8.89+02

Liverpool October highest ..... 4.52+07

Liverpool October lowest ..... 4.48+03

Messrs. Dishwanchharlal Maheshwari have received to-day the following cable [illegible] their foreign friends:—

New York: Spot interests selling distants forcing values out of line consider good purchase.

Market discounting possibility of no changes in Agricultural legislation realising well absorbed Secretary of Agriculture speech to-morrow awaited.

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co. Ltd. have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

Liverpool: Think Liverpool high enough especially as chances for subsidy increasing. Recommend purchases New Crop in New York.

New York: Trade and short covering in nears. Foreign and Bombay domestic buying in distants and against sales in July.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, May 25

July	8.90+03
October	8.16+11
December	7.90+06
January	7.84+06
March	7.82+06
May	7.80+06
Middling Spot	9.83—02

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, May 25

July	8.97+10
October	8.24+07
December	8.02+03
Middling Spot	9.52

NEW YORK
New York, May 25

11-20 A. M. RANGES

July	8.94/8.93
October	8.11/8.11
December	7.92/7.92

NOON CALL

July	8.94
October	8.12
December	7.91

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS
New York, May 25

Day's receipts at all U S Ports	3,000 bales
Day's exports to Great Britain	nil
Day's exports to the Continent	2,000 bales
Day's exports to China and Japan	nil.

LIVERPOOL COTTON
Liverpool, May 25

May	5.10+09
June	4.97+09
July	4.82+09
August	4.68+08
September	4.56+07
October	4.51+06
November	4.43+06
December	4.43+06
January	4.43+05
February	4.44+05
March	4.45+05
April	4.46+05
May	4.47+04
Middling Spot	5.52+05
	10-12 a.m. quotations
July	4.52
October	4.52

Alexandria Cotton

Alexandria, May 25

SAKELS—	
July	11.80+12
November	12.22+14
ASHMOUNI—	
June	9.57—0
August	9.70+4
October	9.73+6
December	9.77+11
February	9.81+7
April	9.85+6
GIZA—	
July	11.67+4
November	11.78+8
January	11.84+8
March	11.88+8

Cotton Straddles

APPROXIMATE DIFFERENCES

Broach J/A New York July Rs. 41 1/2

Broach J/A Liverpool July Rs. 38 3/4

Broach J/A New York October Rs. 28

Broach J/A Liverpool October Rs. 25 3/4

Broach A/M 1940 New York May Rs. 34

Broach A/M Liverpool May Rs. 35 1/4

New York Liverpool July 46 October 64 December 74 January 80 March 86 May 92

LONDON SEEDS
London, May 25

Linseed La Plata May June sellers	£11-11-3
Linseed Calcutta May June sellers	13-1-3
Linseed Bombay May June sellers	13-10-0
Rapeseed Toria May June sellers	12-10-0
Castorseed Bombay May June sellers	11-10-0

LONDON PRODUCE
London, May 25

Rozario Santa Fe June sellers	21/3
Barletta Russo May sellers	23/6
South Australian May sellers	24

LINSEED OILS
London, May 25

Linseed oil naked London per cwt June sellers	25
Linseed oil naked London per cwt July Aug sellers	24/10 1/2

LONDON RUBBER
London, May 25

Smoked sheets standard ribbed per lb sellers	8 15/16

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, May 26

Following a rise of 3 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened at the expected rate of Rs. 170 for Broach July/Aug and Rs 156/12 for Broach A/M. After opening prices advanced for Broach A/M at Rs. 157 on scattered buying while Broach July/Aug. declined to Rs. 169/12 on realising.

Liverpool market was due to open unchanged but it opened 3 points down, in the local market business was restricted and price fluctuations were narrow. Later on Liverpool prices were 6 points down. Local market was steady. At 4-30 p.m. rates were as under:

Broach J/A	169	4	0
Broach A/M 1940	157	2	0
Oomra July 1939	161	10	0
Oomra D/J 1940	143	0	0
Bengal July 1939	125	4	0
Bengal D/J 1940	119	4	0

Cotton Room Rates

Bombay, May 26.

	Extra Spr-fine	Sup Fine	F	G	Good
M. G.—					
Bengal U.P.	133	130	127	125	
Punjab	133	130	127	124	
Rajputana	135	132	129	126	
Oomra No. 3	166	164	162	160	...
C. P. No. 1	177	175	173	171	...
C. P. No. 2	170	168	166	164	...
Broach No. 2	...	177	175	173	171
Punjab-Ame.	...	201	199	197	195
Surat	...	217	215	213	211
Rajpipla	...	214	212	210	208
Navsari		226	224	222	220

Ready Cotton Quotations

Bombay, May 26.

Bengal Superfine	132/33
Bengal Fine	128/30
Bengal F.G.	126/27
C. P. 1	170/72
C. P. 2	166/67
Arvi	167/68
Amraoti	160/64
Ellichpur	166/67
Berar	163/64
Malkapur	158/60
Khandesh	147/54
Jalna/Sailu	156/58
Burwah/Sanavad	160/62
Khandwa	162/64
Mathia F.G.	132/37
Broach	176/77
Punjab 4 F.	185/90
Punjab 289F.	215/20
Sindh N.T.	198/200
Ankleshwar/Jaghadia	205/07
Surat	210/12
Navsari	220/22
Western Farm	185/90

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES

Bombay, May 25.

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY
Since 1st September.

In full-pressed Bales.

	Yester-day.	This year.	Last year.
Khandesh	80	38,646	52,720
Central India	937	215,044	42,645
Barsi and Nagar	825	77,848	146,218
Hyderabad-Gaorani	...	4,337	40,015
Berar	61	161,721	316,953
Central Provinces	100	37,117	74,001
Total Oomras	2,303	534,713	672,552
Dholera	691	229,423	105,748
N.-W. Provinces	175	4,318	2,803
Rajputana	403	66,366	15,092
Sind-Punjab	271	317,584	508,909
Broach	1,687	409,551	250,351
Coompta and Dharwar	3,534	89,406	40,295
Westerns-Northerns	1,180	58,238	20,018
Cocoanada		24	13
Tinnevelly and Cambodia		2,629	2,745
American		3,362	174,909
Egyptian, African and Sudan	157	304,179	419,132
Comilla, Burma and other sorts		95	1,171
Total	10,101	2,019,948	2,213,738
Arrived by road to 18th May 39		361,231	...

EXPORTS FROM BOMBAY

1st Sept. to 18th May

In full-pressed Bales.

	Yester-day.	This year.	Last year.
Europe	1,044	247,071	227,135
Japan and China	10	904,076	554,421
Coast Ports	80	28,319	52,448
Up-country by Rail		209,625	288,777
Afloat in harbour for Europe China and Japan		29,720	12,275
Total	1,134	1,418,811	1,135,056

American Cotton Figures

F.P. Bales	1938-39	1937-38
Receipts to date 25-5-39	3716000	7638000
Receipts Yesterday 25-5-39	3000	2000
Exports to date 25-5-39	5266000	5482000
Stock at Ports 19-5-39	2047000	2685000
Stock at Interior Towns 19-5-39	2689000	2212000
Stock at Liverpool 19-5-39	808000	1197000
Visible Supply 19-5-39	5431000	6465000
Quantity in sight 19-5-39	8794000	13154000
Quantity out of sight 19-5-39	8998000	9570000

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, May 25

Broach J/A highest 171 5/8 lowest 170 1/4 closing 170 7/8

Broach A/M highest 157 1/4 lowest 156 3/8 closing 156 5/8

Oomra July highest 163 lowest 162 1/2 closing 162 7/8

Oomra D/J highest 143 3/4 lowest 143 1/4 closing 143 3/8

Bengal July highest 126 1/4 lowest 125 1/2 closing 125 5/8

Bengal D/J highest 119 lowest 118 1/2 closing 118 7/8

Night session: Broach J/A opening 170 1/2 highest 171 lowest 169 5/8 closing 170 1/8. Broach A/M closing 156 1/2.

In the spot market at Sewri there was moderate demand.

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, May 26

Yesterday London gold prices were quoted 1/2d. up at £7-8-5 1/2. London Paris Exchange rate was unchanged at 176.73. Dollar sterling cross rate closed 4.68.16 at London and 4.68 3/16 at New York. London silver prices declined 1/16d. at 20d. for Spot and forward quotation also declined 1/16d. at 19 13/16d. There was small continental general selling. America bought a little. There were buyers at fixed rates. Sellers were reserved.

New York Spot silver prices were unchanged at 42 3/4 and Shanghai T T on London was quoted 0/8. London Bombay Spot parity was Rs. 52-11 1/4 and forward was Rs. 52 1/4. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 23-11-0. In the local market business was restricted and price fluctuations were narrow.

GOLD

Ready	37	1	9
Jeth delivery	37	2	0
Jeth Tejimandi	0	1	0
Ashad delivery	37	2	6
Ashad Tejimandi	0	2	3

SILVER

Ready	52	13	6
Jeth delivery	52	13	0
Jeth Tejimandi	0	3	6
Ashad delivery	52	11	6
Ashad Tejimandi	0	10	6

LONDON SILVER
London, May 25

Spot	20
Forward	19 13/16

LONDON GOLD
London, May 25

Gold Bars Fine per oz	£7-8-5 1/2

LONDON METALS

London, May 25

Copper	£42	5	0
Lead	£14	12	6
Tin	£224	0	0
Spelter	£14	1	3

Bombay Metals

Bombay, May 26

London market—

Standard copper cash (buyers)	£42-0-0		
Standard copper 3 months	£42-7-6		
Electrolytic copper	48-5-0		
Bombay market—			
Yellow metal sheets	Rs.	40-0-0	
Copper sheets	Rs.	49-6-0	

Tone: Steady.

PRECIOUS METALS

Platinum 100 per cent Rs. 48 per tola Elephant Brand

Platinum 97 per cent Rs. 47 per tola Elephant Brand

Platinum 25 per cent Rs. 14 per tola Anchor Brand

Palladium 100 per cent Rs. 35 per tola

Iridium 100 per cent Rs. 90 per tola

Osmium 100 per cent Rs. 70 per tola

Ruthenium 100 per cent Rs. 60 per tola

Rhodium 100 per cent Rs. 200 per tola

THE LIVERPOOL MARKET WILL BE CLOSED TO-DAY AND ON MONDAY, 29TH INSTANT BEING WHITSUNTIDE HOLIDAYS.

Groundnuts Coromandel Shelled

London, May 25.

June	11-17-6.
July	£11-13-9.

Groundnuts And Seeds

Bombay May 26

Castorseeds Sept—			
Opening	30	6	0
Highest	30	6	0
Lowest	30	2	0
Closing	30	3	6
Groundnuts Aug—			
Opening	32	12	0
Highest	33	2	6
Lowest	32	10	6
Closing	32	11	6
Cottonseeds Sept—			
Opening	26	15	6
Highest	27	1	6
Lowest	26	15	0
Closing	27	0	6
Cottonseeds May—			
Opening	26	0	0
Highest	26	5	6
Lowest	26	0	0
Closing	26	5	6
Groundnuts May—			
Opening	31	13	0
Highest	31	13	0
Lowest	31	13	0
Closing	31	13	0

Wheat Liverpool

Liverpool, May 25.

May	55d.
May New	51 1/8d.
July	52 3/4d.
October	55 1/4d.
December	56 1/2d.

Wheat Chicago

Chicago, May 25.

July	dol 0.77 1/8.
September	dol 0.77 1/8.
December	dol 0.78 1/8.

Bombay Sugar

Bombay, May 26.

Ready Javas	16	8	0
Shipment June	6	8	6
Shipment July	6	8	0
Shipment August	6	6	0
Shipment September	6	0	6

Java Spot F 7.00 (Nominal).

New York Sugar

New York, May 25.

July	1.97.
September	2.01.
November	2.08.
January	1.98.

NEW YORK COFFEE
New York, May 25

Fair Rio Coffee No 7 quality ..... Unchanged.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES

Bombay, May 26

3 1/2 per cent G P Notes	96/15		
2 3/4 per cent 1948/62	98/6		
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan	99/10		
3 per cent 1941 Bonds	102		
3 per cent 1963/65	96/10		
3 1/2 per cent 1947/55	103/6		
4 per cent 1943 Bonds	107/2		
4 per cent 1960/70 Loan	110/10		
4 1/2 per cent 1955/60 Loan	114/4		
5 per cent U P Bonds	98		
5 per cent 1939/44 Loan	100/6		
5 per cent 1940/43 Loan	103/12		
TAX FREES			
5 per cent 1945/55	113/14		
4 per cent 1953/63 Mysore	111/8		
5 per cent 1955 Mysore	124		
CORPORATION DEBENTURES			
4 per cent 1972 B P T	108		
5 per cent 1959 M Deb	118		
4 per cent 1974 M Deb	107		
6 per cent M Deb 1954	127		
6 per cent K P T 1956	127		

Tone: Steady.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, May 26

B C RATES—

T T D D 1/5 13/16 to December

LONDON—

Bank's selling T T D D 1/5 27/32 May on

Bank's buying T T 1/5 29/32

Bank's buying D D 1/5 29/32

Bank's buying 3 months 1/5 31/32 to April

NEW YORK—

Bank's selling T T 287 3/8

Bank's buying T T 285 3/8

Bank's buying D D 284 5/8

PARIS—

Bank's selling T T 1,306

Bank's buying T T 1,326

JAPAN—

Bank's selling T T 78 3/4

Bank's buying T T 77 5/8

Bank's buying 60 days 77 1/8

AMSTERDAM—

Bank's selling D D 64 3/8

JAVA—

Bank's selling D D 64 1/4

HONGKONG—

Bank's selling D D 84 3/8

SHANGHAI—

Bank's selling D D 47 1/8

SINGAPORE—

Bank's selling D D 156 7/8

BERLIN—

Bank's selling D D 85 3/4

CROSS RATES—

Hongkong London 1/2 7/8 26th instant

Shanghai London 0/8 1/4 26th instant

Japan London 1/2 1/64 26th instant

Java London 8.69 1/8 26th instant

New York London 4.68.18 25th instant

London New York 4.68.16 25th instant

London Paris 176.73 25th instant

London Italy 89.05 25th instant

London Belgium 27.50 1/8 25th instant

London Switzerland 20.78 3/4 25th instant

London Berlin 11.67 1/4 25th instant

London Stockholm 19.41 25th instant

London Amsterdam 8.71 3/8 25th instant

Tone of Sterling Exchange: Steady.

Gold £7-8-5 24th instant

Gold £7-8-5 1/2 25th instant

Silver London Ready 20 1/16 24th instant

Silver London Ready 20 25th instant

Silver London Forward 19 7/8 24th instant

Silver London Forward 19 13/16 25th instant

Silver New York Ready 43 24th instant

Silver New York Ready 43 25th instant

London discounts 3 months 11/16 per cent 24th instant

London discounts 3 months 1 1/8 per cent 25th instant.

London discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent 24th instant

London discounts 6 months 1 1/8 per cent 25th instant

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money:—

Call 1/2 per cent.

3 months 1 per cent

6 months 1 per cent

Tone: Quiet.

INDIAN STERLING LOANS

London, May 25

Call Loan London	1/2		
3 per cent	74	1/4	
3 1/2 per cent	86	3/4	
3 1/2 per cent 1954/59	98	1/4	
4 per cent 1948/53	103	1/2	
4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	106	1/4	
4 1/2 per cent 1958/68	108	1/4	
5 per cent 1942/47	104	3/4	
3 per cent 1949/52	96	1/4	
2 1/2 per cent British Consols	69	1/2	
3 1/2 per cent War Loan	95	1/2	
4 per cent Funding loan 1960/90	108		
Indian Iron and Steel New Ord	37/6		

BANK OF ENGLAND RETURNS
London, May 25.

	This week. £
Total bullions	226,800,000
Public Deposits	25,500,000
(A) Other deposits	131,700,000
Government securities	114,000,000
(B) Other securities	28,800,000
Notes and coin	32,200,000
Notes in circulation	494,600,000
Ratio of Reserve to Liabilities	20.48 p.c.
(A) Other deposits include	95,300,000
(B) Other securities include	7,100,000
Total Deposits	157,200,000
Total Securities	142,800,000

LONDON EXCHANGES
London, May 25

T T London on:	
New York	4.68.16
Paris	176.73
Berlin	11.67 1/4
Madrid	42.25
Montreal	4.69 9/16
Amsterdam	8.71 1/8
Brussels	27.50 1/8
Milan	89.05
Berne	20.76 3/4

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, May 25

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£70 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	74 1/4
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	86 3/4
Indian stock 4 1/2 per cent 1950/55	106 1/4
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	69 1/2
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	95
War loan 3 1/2 per cent 1952	95 1/2
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	108
Victory Bonds	108
Chartered Bank of I A and China	7 7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Rec	24 1/2
National Bank of India	30

Reactionary Selling On Stock Exchange

STEEL SHARES DECLINE AFTER EARLY FIRMNESS

Cements Look Up

BOMBAY: May 26.

Yesterday the Wall-Street Market closed steady at a rise of dol. 1/8 at 47-1/4 dol. for U. S. Steel shares, while Anaconda Copper declined dol. 1/8 at 24-1/2 dol. The market was irregular, but the undertone was steady.

Speculative activities are increasing on hopes of clearing political situation in Europe and as the advance proceeds, there will be more participation by outsiders. All local markets are active with increasing speculative business and with political peace in Europe prices will show substantial improvements. So far there are no constructive developments, but there is a decided change in the sentiments. The local market opened very steady and during the early part of the session it was quiet, but steady. Later on there was reactionary selling by professional operators and prices began to sag. There was unfounded rumour of fresh trouble at Jamshedpur regarding Labours which was followed by general selling and the prices rapidly declined with the absence of any support. The tone of the market was heavy, but to-day's weakness seems natural based on speculative position of the market.

Tata Steel Dfds. opened at Rs. 1,365 and advanced to Rs. 1,370 and then declined to Rs. 1,312-8.

Cotton Mill shares were steady, while Associated Cements advanced to Rs. 129 the new level.

TEXTILE SHARES

BOMBAY, May 26.

100 Ahmed. Advance	255	0
100 BOM. DYEING	753	12
100 CENTURY	208	0
100 CENTRAL INDIA	210	0
100 COLABA	108	8
100 Coorla	83	2
250 David	25	0
250 Dawn	280	0
1. E. D. Sassoon	0-3-9	
100 Finlay	92	8
100 GOKAK	128	0
1,000 Hindustan	1675	0
100 Indore	42	8
100 Khatau	81	4
100 KOHINOOR	218	0
200 Laxmi	427	3
250 Madras United	25	0
100 MORARJI	112	0
250 Model	42	0
50 MYSORE	85	0
100 NEW GREAT	186	8
100 Osmanshahi	41	8
100 PHOENIX	200	0
25 Sassoon Silk	65	0
1,000 Sholapur	2,725	0
50 SIMPLEX	69	8
1,000 SWADESHI XD	198	8
100 SWAN	88	0
500 Vishnu	1040	0
1,000 Westerns	860	0
BANKS		
50-100 Bombay	105	8
25-500 Central	32	10
500 Imperial	1,545	0
125-500 Imp. Conty.	380	0
50-100 India	141	0
100 Reserve Bank	111	8
5 Union	6	1
CEMENTS		
100 Associated	128	4
INSURANCE		
100 Empire	640	0
15-100 Jupiter	13	0
20 Mercantile	53	8
17-75 New India	38	12
200 Oriental	4,275	0
10-50 Vulcan	7	5
ELECTRIC		
25 Ah. New	54	8
10 Amalgamated	12	0
1,000 ANDHRA VALLEY	1,435	0
10 Ajmer	11	4
50 Bombay Tram	127	8
100 Bombay Suburban	141	4
10 Broach	10	4
100 Karachi	191	0
100 Poona	190	0
100 Surat	149	6
100 TATA HYDRO	151	8
1,000 TATA POWERS	1,277	8
RAILWAYS		
500 Ahmedabad Prantij	1,000	0
100 C Province	101	8
100 Dh Baramati	101	8
100 Gujarat	98	8
100 Mandra Bhon	99	8
100 Pachora Jamner	87	0
100 Sara Serajganj	100	8
500 Tapti Valley	763	12
MININGS		
9 Burma Corp.	6	11
2sh. Indian Copper	1	13
10 Indian Iron and Steel	25	12
10 Shivrajpur	36	4
30 TATA STEEL DEFDS.	1,315	0
75 TATA STEEL ORD.	276	0
MISCELLANEOUS		
100 ALCOCK	341	0
10 Air Services	7	12
50 BELAPUR SUGAR	179	0
200 Bombay Safe Dep.	760	0
250 BOMBAY STEAM	226	0
125 B BURMA	460	0
50 B. BURMA CONT.	158	12
8sh. Br. B. Petrol	3-6-0	
50 BOMBAY TELEPHONE	82	8
100 IND. BLEACHING	95	0
50 Ind. Invest Trust	42	8
100 I. Radio Defd.	325	0
100 I. Radio Ord.	325	0
100 Port Canning.	70	0
30 Premier Con	70	8
10 Scindia	18	3
25 Tata Oil Mill (nil)	38	8
PREFERENCE		
5-1/2 Amalgamated (T.F.)	106	0
7 p. c. Andra Valley	1445	0
6 p.c. Bombay Steam	295	0
7 p.c. Bombay Tram (T. F.)	78	0
5 p.c. Central India (T.F.)	557	8
6-1/4 p.c. Prem. Const. 1st	105	0
6-1/4 p.c Prem Const. 2nd	96	8
7 p.c. Tata Hydro	144	1
7½ p.c. Tata Power	1,552	8
6 p.c. Tata Steel 1st	207	8
7½ p.c. Tata Steel Second	159	4
7 p.c. Vishnu	680	0
DEBENTURES		
3-3/4 p.c. Andhra Valley	101	12
6 p.c. Andhra Valley	105	10
7 p.c. Bombay Telephone	50	10
7 p.c. Sholapur	77	8
3 p.c. Tata Hydro	105	8

(Capital Letters indicate Shares on Forward List).

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Bombay, May 26

Bombay Dyeing (763/12) 760 753 756 753

Century (211) 211 208/8

Central India (212/8) 212 210 211 209 208 210

Kohinoor (221/8) 221 219 218

New Great (189) 188 187 188/8

Simplex (71/4) 71/4 70 69/8

Swadeshi (201) 201 198/8

Associated Cement (127/4) 128 129 128/8 129/4

Andhra (1440) 1435

Tram Ord (127/8) 127/8

Tata Hydro (152) 151/8

Tata Power (1287/8) 1287 1272 1276 1277

T Steel Defd (1362/8) 1365 1370 1352 1355 1345 1325 1343 1322 1327 1312 1320 1315

T Steel Ord (289) 286 284 280 281 277 280 276 277 276

Tata Steel 2nd Pref (159/8) 159/12 159/4

Bellapur (179/8) 179

B Steam (232) 231 230 227 226

B Burma (467) 463 460 459/8 460

WALL-STREET MARKET

New York, May 25

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following report showing quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:—

	Dollars.
American Foreign Power 7 p.c. Pfd	18
American Foreign Power 5 p.c.	2030 60
Electric Bond and Share Common	8 3/8
United Corporation	2
Radio Corporation	6 3/8
North American Co.	21 1/2
American Telephone and Telegraph	163 1/2
Western Union Telegraph	19 1/4
New York Central	15
Chesapeake and Ohio	53
Firestone Rubber dol 5 Pfd	105
Amrex Corporation	23 3/8
Texas Corporation	39 3/4
Union Carbon and Carbide	73 1/2
Consolidated Edison	31 1/2
Lockheed	26 1/2
Brooklyn Manhattan Transit	12
United States Steel	47 3/4
Bethlehem Steel	57
Crucible Steel	29
Ludium Steel	17
Republic Steel	16
Int Nickel of Canada	48 3/4
Anaconda Copper Mining	24 1/2
Chrysler	79
General Motors	44 5/8
General Electric	35 5/8
Douglas Aircraft	70
Standard Oil of N J	44
Socony	11 7/8
Consolidated Oil	7 3/4
Woolworth	45
National City Bank of New York	25 1/2

Turnover one million shares. Market will probably react somewhat. Brokers loans 70 million dollars up. Carloadings 60570 units up.

Egyptian Cotton

Liverpool, May 25

GIZA 2—

Spot	6.70+7
May	6.47+3
July	6.55+4
October	6.57+5
November	6.60+5
January	6.64+4
March	6.67+4
UPPERS—	
Spot	5.84+3
May	5.64+4
July	5.65+3
October	5.62+5
November	5.61+5
January	5.62+5
March	5.64+5

Produce Receipts

Bombay, May 26.

Wheat	42,547 cwts.
Linseed	23,514 cwts.
Rape, Rai and Mustardseeds	37 cwts.
Gingellyseed	40 cwts.
Poppyseed	18 cwts.
Groundnuts	7,917 cwts.
Castorseed	2,248 cwts.
Rice	23,676 cwts.
Myrabollams	841 cwts.
Cottonseed	3,327 cwts.
Mowraseed	10 cwts.
Gram	2,254 cwts.
Joowar	374 cwts.
Barley	148 cwts.
Bajree	1,295 cwts.
Indian Sugar	22 cwts.

Revised Estimates Of U. S. A. 1938 Crop

The Final revised estimates of the U.S.A. 1938 crop.

Acreage harvested:—24,248,000 acres, December estimate 25,346,000 acres.

Yield per acre:—235.8 lbs.; December estimate 226.8 lbs.

Production:—11,943,000 bales. December estimate 12,008,000 bales

The above figures are interesting from the point of view of the small acreage and high yield.

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Discrimination Too Great To Be Tolerated

Burma Must Carry Out Settlement Reached At R. T. C.

PURSHOTTAMDAS THAKURDAS' TELEGRAM TO GOVT. OF INDIA

A Telegram drawing the attention of the Government of India and the Standing Emigration Committee to the grave situation of Indians domiciled in Ceylon and Burma has been addressed to the Department of Education, Health and Lands by Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas, Chairman of the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association.

The following is the text of the telegram:—

"The Council of the Imperial Indian Citizenship Association think that it is necessary to draw the attention of the Government of India and the Standing Emigration Committee to the grave Indian situation in Ceylon and Burma which requires immediate firm action by Indian Government.

"Six thousand Indians with ten thousand dependants in Ceylon are threatened with expulsion from the country of their domicile. Discrimination against Indians in every walk of life is a humiliation which India cannot tolerate. Exclusion of Indians from Local Government Franchise, compulsory repatriation of domiciled Indians, and denial of equal opportunity of employment to Indians in Government service are among grievances, the redress of which should be made a condition precedent to concluding a trade pact between the two countries.

"Indians in Burma have laboured for the economic advancement of the country for many generations. They have invested their hard earned money in its agriculture and industries estimated at several crores of rupees.

"The basis of Burma's prosperity is Indian labour, Indian enterprise and Indian market, and if Burma persists in ill-treating and looking upon our nationals as usurpers the Council have no hesitation in recommending to Government to withdraw all Indian factors from Burma's economic life.

"The Council, however, hope that Ceylon and Burma may yet compose their differences with India and come to a satisfactory settlement arrived at the Round Table Conferences with the representatives of each country.

"With reference to South Africa the position is unfortunately threatening to worsen. The Council draw Government's attention to my letter to them dated 25th March 1939 and trust that Government will unequivocally declare their intention to stand by the just rights of Indians in South Africa without further compromise".—A. P.

Mahatma's Great Intellect

Misfortune To Nation If It Fails To Recognise It, Says Kripalani

ALLAHABAD, May 26.

"It will be a double misfortune for our country if we did not recognise and admit the great intellect of Mahatma Gandhi and discern his unparalleled practical mind," observed Acharya J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary of the All-India Congress Committee, while giving certificates to the successful students of the hand-made paper making school of the Allahabad Swadeshi League.

Acharya Kripalani said: "It is cruel and even ungrateful that Gandhiji should be criticised in the manner done, though every one of us, enemy as well as friend, feels that he is wanted for the guidance of the country. When we say 'advance,' we are regardless of the human value in it; for Gandhiji 'advance' included a human factor also. In his industrial scheme he wants work for the God-made machine, Man, who is idle. For that he should not be charged with being antiquated. There is plenty of time and raw materials wasting in the country. Let the cottage industry flourish to turn them into living.

"England, America, Japan and other countries had failed to solve the problem of unemployment through their machines."—United Press.

DEATH OF PROMINENT LABOUR LEADER

NEW DELHI, May 25.

Mr. N. C. Sen Gupta, General Secretary of the All-India Postal and R.M.S. Union, Delhi, died on Tuesday evening in the Irwin Hospital after an operation for ear trouble.

He was the editor of "Labour" of Calcutta and "Indian Post" of Delhi. A prominent figure in postal trade unionism in India, Mr. Sen Gupta made sustained efforts to secure amelioration of the conditions of service of the Postal and R.M.S. staff.—United Press.

No Parties To Be Permitted In Congress

Several Amendments To Congress Constitution

ALLAHABAD, May 25.

The following are some of the amendments to the Congress constitution received by the A I C. C. office from some of the Provincial Congress Committee:—

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL CONGRESS COMMITTEE

1. A person to present his application personally at an authorised enrolment centre.
2. Card system to be introduced for members.
3. A member to be able to sign his name on the application form.
4. The expression "ordinarily resides" or "carries business ..." be properly defined.
5. Article V to be drastically altered. No member to exercise his vote unless three years membership is completed. Khadi clause to be defined more specifically. Habitual wear to cover a period of at least three years. A register to be kept of all habitual wearers.

Cessation of all parties and groups in the Congress.

6. Article VI (8) of the distribution of delegates to be on the population basis.
7. Direct election of delegates to be retained. It works well in Bombay, a compact area.
8. Small deposits to be taken from candidates for delegateship.
9. The method of proportional voting to be retained in order to safeguard minorities.
10. An independent election board to conduct the delegates election.
11. Election tribunal to decide election disputes.
12. A board of inspectors to inspect primary membership and deal with corrupt practices.
13. Territorial representation of the A I. C. C. favoured.

VIDARBHA P. C. C.

1. A voter should have two years standing as a primary member and a delegate three. (2) Elections of Congress Committees to be every two years.

MAHAKOSHAL P. C. C.

1 Members not attending monthly flag salutation to be expelled.

2. The expression "habitual wearer of khadi" to be specifically defined.

3. Article 5 (b) to be amended, (i) three years continuous membership a qualification for election, (ii) performance of some prescribed task.

4. Mention to be made in the constitution about title holders and pensioners.—A. P.

NEW YORK, May 26.

The Commerce Secretary Mr. Hopkins announced his intention to appoint a group of specialists to explore intensively the possibility of increasing the United States import trade. Mr. Hopkins declared that the country's thousand million dollar export balance last year did not represent a wholesome situation.

JUBILATION IN CUTCH

Successful Meeting At Mankuva Brings New Life To People

(From Our Correspondent)

BHUJ, May 26.

Mr. Yusuf Meherally, President of the Cutchi Prajakia Parishad, left this morning for Nadiad to preside over the First Nadiad Youth Conference which is being held here on 27th and 28th inst. Mr. Meherally reaches Nadiad tomorrow morning by the Kathiawar Express. From Nadiad he proceeds to Shertha, near Ahmedabad, to deliver the concluding lectures on the 29th and 30th inst., in the classes for Socialism, which are being held there since 17th instant. On return from Shertha public meetings, it is understood, have been arranged in Ahmedabad on 31st instant by the Congress Socialist Party and the Cutch State Praja Mandal. The same night he proceeds to Bombay, reaching there on 1st June.

He is expected to discuss plans for Satyagraha in Cutch on the Civil Liberties question with members of the Working Committee of the Cutchi Prajakia Parishad. It will be recalled that this Satyagraha has been already launched here, making successful beginning from the village of Mankuwa by holding a public meeting there which Garasias would not allow and which the State had banned earlier.

New life and a feeling of jubilation prevails in Cutch over Parishad success in holding the meeting in Mankuwa. Mr. Meherally returns to Cutch on 5th June from Bombay and declares open the Grishma Vyakhyanmalla on the 7th at Mandvi for which arrangements on a grand scale are in hand. From there he starts on a tour of Nakhtrana Taluka and then Lakhpat Taluka which is generally known as the Andaman of Cutch.

INCENDIARISM SPREADS IN ALWAR

Citizens Blame Administration

ALWAR: May 25.

A reward of Rs. 500 has been announced by the State for the apprehension of the people responsible for a large number of fires in the city which has been devastating the city during the past few days resulting in the loss of several thousands.

A meeting of the citizens called by the Prime Minister held to consider the incendiarism and devise ways to check its broke up following a resolution passed expressing no confidence in the present administration. Military and Police pickets are posted at all street corners with a view to check this new menace.

There was an incident when a mob, annoyed at the behaviour of the police deputed to protect the city, surrounded the Kotwali demanding the release of an innocent man who was alleged to have been wrongly arrested while the guilty man responsible for these fires was let off. Ultimately the situation was saved from ugly developments by the arrival of the Prajamandal leaders who secured the release of the arrested man.—United Press.

11 Kisan Satyagrahis Arrested

Women With Babes In Arms

NAGPUR: May 26.

Eleven Kisan Satyagrahis were arrested last afternoon at Umrer about 32 miles from Nagpur, according to authoritative information received here.

The batch consisted of six men and five women, three of whom carried babies in their arms.

Later the arrested women were released on their giving an assurance that they would appear in Court on the date of trial, while all the men having refused to furnish bail, were removed to police lock-up.

The Police had to clear the way for the Tahsildar of Umrer when he entered the office, as a batch had arrived at the Tahsil office to start picketing.

The Satyagrahis after staying on for some time, left the place, but returned in the afternoon at 3 p.m. They attempted to rush through the Police cordon when they were arrested.

The arrests, it is stated, were made only when the Satyagrahis pushed back the police party posted near the entrance of the Tahsil office in an attempt to force their way into the Tahsil Office.—A.P.

ALWAR AUTHORITIES' TERMS FOR RECOGNITION OF PRAJAMANDAL

ALWAR, May 25.

The negotiations between the Alwar Prime Minister and the Prajamandal for the recognition and registration of the Mandal have broken down as a sequel to a sudden 'volte face' of the authorities.

It will be recalled that the negotiations were being carried on for the past two weeks on the basis of a demand made by the Prime Minister, namely that the Mandal should change their objective from "Responsible Government" to "Representative Government with elected representatives."

The Prajamandal, as a mark of their willingness to co-operate with the authorities, agreed to the terms of the Prime Minister and were willing to modify their aims. But after the negotiations had reached an advanced state the Prime Minister suddenly changed his mind and announced that the Maharaja and his Council were not prepared to recognise the Mandal even on these terms.

He proposed in the alternative that the Prajamandal should modify their objective further to "Progressive association of the people of the State with the administration" on which terms the Mandal would be recognised.

The Prajamandal has rejected the new terms and has decided not to seek recognition. They have further declined the advice of the Prime Minister to wait on the Maharaja with a request for the recognition of their Mandal.—United Press

VIRAWALA GOING TO BAGASRA

RAJKOT, May 26.

It is understood that Darbar Virawala will be proceeding to Bagasara, shortly, for taking rest for some days.

Gandhiji is meeting some Parishad workers this afternoon, in connection with the work of the Parishad, after his departure from here.

The Resident Mr. Gibson arrived here last evening from Balachadi, and returned this morning to Balachadi.

Mr. Virawala had an interview with the Resident.—A. P.

Indian Shipping And Overseas Trade

G. L. Mehta's Case For Participation In Japanese Waters

CALCUTTA, May 26.

Speaking at the first quarterly general meeting of the Indian Chamber of Commerce, Calcutta, held to-day at the premises of the Chamber Mr. G. L. Mehta, president said:—

"Since we last met three months ago, the uneasiness and uncertainty in the trade and markets of the world due to political factors have not disappeared but have, on the contrary, tended to grow. In the months that have passed since then, the international situation has steadily deteriorated, one crisis following another and causing widespread apprehension and general loss of confidence. As. Mr. J. M. Keynes, the eminent English economist, pointed out recently, it is neither war nor peace "but in this twilight, depression is inevitable."

"Few countries in the world possess such natural resources as India but which have hitherto been either neglected or exploited in the interests of foreigners. Whatever the limitations and drawbacks of the systems of planned economy, they have at least shown that deliberate and purposeful control of economic forces is possible, given clarity of thought, constructive ability and boldness in execution.

The advent of popular ministries into office has made a difference which is psychological and those in authority feel some kind of social obligation towards the people and the administration is beginning to realise that the maintenance and raising of the standard of life of the people is as much its concern as the preservation of law and order. While on the one hand, therefore, the provincial Governments have begun to survey and assist rural and cottage industries in order to supplement the meagre income of the cultivators, they have also concerned themselves with problems of rural indebtedness, welfare of industrial labour and other measures to improve the conditions of the people.

INDO-BRITISH PACT

One of the outstanding events during the quarter not only with regard to its actual effects on trade and industry but also in respect of the issues of principle involved in the question, was the imposition of the new Indo-British Trade Arrangement—and not Agreement—on India. I cannot help observing that the main object underlying the whole arrangement appears to be to assist Lancashire to regain some of its lost market in India at the expense of the indigenous textile industry. In moving the Resolution on trade treaties with foreign countries at the last annual session of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce at Delhi, Sir Purshottamdas Thakurdas who was the Chairman of the unofficial Advisers, stated that when the Indian Delegation went to London they were distinctly told that if India desired a trade treaty with Britain, Lancashire must be satisfied.

It has been contended that the fact that the negotiations were protracted shows the absence of any kind of political pressure on India. But by prolonging the negotiations for about three years, Britain was in no sense a loser since all the time she was enjoying the Ottawa concessions which were kept in force by the Government of India through an executive order in disregard of the decision of the Assembly asking for the immediate termination of the Ottawa Agreement. Moreover, Britain was free and did modify the preferences during the pendency of the negotiations whenever it suited her interests while negotiations for trade agreements between India and other countries were held up on the ground that they could not be taken in hand until after the conclusion of the Indo-British Trade Pact. The manner in which political relationship affected the question of Indo-British trade relationship is also evident from the imposition of the increased duty on raw cotton imports just on the eve of the conclusion of the Trade Agreement.

If the Finance Member of the Government can decrease the protection to the Indian industry and increase the preference to Britain on financial grounds, the object of a trade agreement seeking to establish relationship between Indian and British industries is to that extent undermined and frustrated. Indeed, the manner in which the Tariff Bill giving effect to the new Trade Agreement was certified by the Governor-General despite its repeated rejection by the Central Legislative Assembly and its denunciation by representative Indian commercial and public opinion shows more than any arguments or allegations the subordinate character of the Government of India. No national Government would have proceeded to give effect to its provisions after its rejection by the representatives of the people.

RELATIONS WITH JAPAN.

The question of our future trade relationship with another important country is now under consideration. The existing Indo-Japanese Trade Protocol expires at the end of March 1940 and the Government of India are examin-

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Prabhat Pheri Attacked

CUTCH-BHUJ, May 26.

According to information received here, a Prabhat Pheri taken out by the Praja Parishad workers at Doodhai village, in Anjar Taluka, was attacked by a party of "guards", with lathis and other weapons, resulting in injuries to three, of whom one is said to be lying in a precarious condition in the civil hospital, Anjar.

On receiving information Parishad leaders and police officials have proceeded to the village.

Mr. Yusuf Meherally, a Socialist leader, and President of Cutchi Prajakiya Parishad, left this morning for Nadiad to preside over the first Nadiad Youth Conference which is being held there on May 27 and 28.—A. P.

CHARLIE CHAN — SPLIT THE MINE

THAT WAS TONY POWERS— HE'S JUST BACK FROM COLLEGE AND MAKING HIS MINE BOOM! THE POWERS MINE AND OURS USED TO BE ONE BIG UNIT!
OLD TIM POWERS AND I STAKED OUR CLAIM TOGETHER WHEN WE WERE YOUNG MEN! WE WERE AS CLOSE AS TWO MEN EVER WERE! WE EVEN WERE MARRIED ON THE SAME DAY—
MY MARY DIED WHEN BARBARA WAS BORN! TIM AND KATHLEEN ALREADY HAD TONY! KATHLEEN WAS A MOTHER TO THE TWO CHILDREN!
SHE WAS A FINE WOMAN, BUT TIM WAS A JEALOUS MAN! ONE MORNING KATHLEEN WAS FOUND AT THE FOOT OF THE GORGE! I'M SURE IT WAS AN ACCIDENT, BUT TIM THOUGHT SHE KILLED HERSELF FOR LOVE OF ME!
HE SPLIT THE MINE AND NEVER SET FOOT IN MY HOUSE AGAIN! EVEN THE CHILDREN DID NOT SEE EACH OTHER!
VERY OFTEN TWO PEOPLE ARE SEPARATED BY BIG CHASM FOR WHICH THEY ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE, LIKE RIVER RUNNING THROUGH TWO MOUNTAINS!
Alfred Andriola
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